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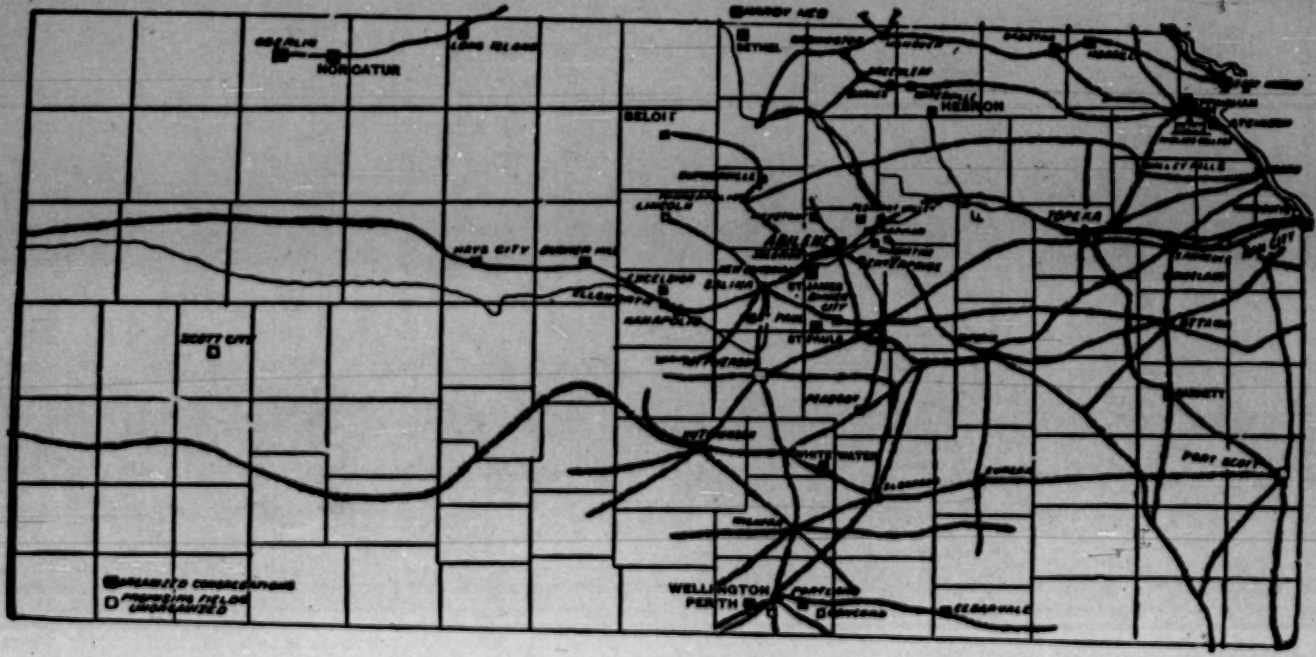

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Synodical Calendar 1915-1916

Corporate Name.

THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS.

Officers of the Synod.

President—Rev. CHARLES F. WIEST, Hays City, Kan.
Secretary—Rev. PAUL MENNENOEH, Eureka, Kan.
Treasurer—Mr. W. M. THISTLE, 605 Kansas Ave., Atchison, Kan.
Statistical Secretary—Rev. L. A. HARSHMAN, Ottawa, Kan.
Historian of Synod—Rev. M. F. TROXELL, D. D., Topeka, Kan.

Place of Next Meeting of Synod.

First Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Mo., October 17-20, 1916.

OFFICERS OF CONFERENCE.

North-East Conference.

President—Rev. C. J. FERSTER. *Secretary*—

South-West Conference.

President—Rev. H. F. MARTIN. *Secretary*—Rev. C. G. STACY.

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C. W. BELL.

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Rev. B. R. LANTZ, 1917* Mr. LOUIS T. BANG, 1917*
Rev. M. F. TROXELL, D. D., 1916* Mr. JOHN A. WIBLE, 1916*

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Mr. C. W. HORN. E. ANDERSON.

Synodical Missionary Committee.

Rev. C. F. WIEST *ex officio* Rev. C. G. AUE, 1917*
Rev. B. R. LANTZ, 1918* Mr. D. W. LENTZ, 1918*
Rev. E. E. STAUFFER, D. D., 1916* Mr. A. V. LINDELL, 1917*
Rev. R. L. PATTERSON, D. D., 1916* Mr. A. T. OLSON, 1917*

*Term expires.

LIST OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Examining Committee.

Rev. GEO. MURPHY, D. D. Rev. J. C. JACOBY, D. D.
Rev. B. R. LANTZ. Rev. C. F. WIEST.
Rev. G. G. CLARK.

Ministerial Education Committee.

Rev. R. L. PATTERSON, D. D. Rev. GEO. MURPHY, D. D.
Mr. W. M. THISTLE.

Luther League.

Rev. H. F. MARTIN. Rev. J. A. KOSER.
Mr. D. W. WITMAR.

Parochial Report.

Rev. L. A. HARSHMAN. Rev. C. G. STACY.
Rev. J. C. MILLER.

Temperance Report.

Rev. WILLIAM CALVERT. Rev. H. A. KOOGLE.
Mr. GEORGE KISLER.

Minutes of Last Convention.

Rev. A. B. SHRADER. Rev. C. W. SEVILLE.
Mr. W. H. BETZ.

Lutheran Church Work.

Rev. G. G. CLARK. Rev. H. S. LAWRENCE, D. D.
Rev. A. A. BARD, PH. D.

Synodical Representative to Board of Foreign Missions.

Rev. N. H. ROYER, D. D. Rev. M. F. TROXELL, D. D.

Seminary Contingent Fund.

Rev. J. C. JACOBY, D. D. Rev. G. G. CLARK.
Mr. H. W. McAFEE.

Sunday Schools.

Rev. I. B. HEISEY. Rev. J. H. FETTEROLF.
Mr. JOHN SHIRK.

Every Member Canvass.

Rev. C. W. SEVILLE. Rev. E. E. STAUFFER, D. D.
Rev. J. C. MILLER. Mr. J. M. DORNBLASER.
Mr. H. M. CLARK.

Brotherhood.

Rev. C. W. SIFFERD, D. D. Rev. J. A. KOSER.
Mr. H. L. ROHE.

Necrology.

Rev. E. F. PUGH. Rev. JOHN A. BRIGHT.
Rev. WILLIAM CALVERT.

Midland College Endowment.

Rev. H. S. LAWRENCE, D. D. Rev. H. F. MARTIN.
Rev. A. A. BARD, PH. D. Mr. JOHN A. WIBLE.
Mr. T. L. BANG.

Committee on 400th Anniversary of Reformation.

Rev. H. S. LAWRENCE, D. D. Rev. B. R. LANTZ.
Mr. LOUIS T. BANG.

REPORT OF COMMITEE ON PROGRAM OF THE 1916 CONVENTION OF SYNOD.

Your committee would report as follows:

Tuesday Evening.

Opening Sermon—Rev. C. F. Wiest. Communion.

Wednesday Evening.

Anniversary of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society. Service arranged by the Society.

Thursday Evening.

Address—Representative of the Home Missions and Church Extension Board.

Address—The Laymen's Part in the Work of Home Missions and Church Extension Board. By a Layman.

Friday Evening.

Ordination Sermon—Rev. N. H. Royer, D. D.; Alternate, Rev. H. F. Martin.

Devotions—Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. STAUFFER,
J. C. JACOBY,
B. D. ZIMMERMAN.

PLACES OF MEETING SINCE THE ORGANIZATION OF KANSAS SYNOD.

No.	Time.	Place.
1.	November 5-7, 1868	Topeka, Kan.
2.	April 25, 1869	Atchison, Kan.
	October 6-10, 1869	Kansas City, Mo.
3.	October 5-10, 1870	Lawrence, Kan.
4.	September 27 to October 1, 1871	Grasshopper Falls, Kan.
5.	September 11-14, 1873	Monrovia, Kan.
6.	October 1-6, 1873	Kansas City, Mo.
7.	October 21-25, 1874	Abilene, Kan.
8.	September 22-27, 1875	Lawrence, Kan.
9.	August 1-6, 1876	Kansas City, Mo.
10.	August 22-25, 1877	Salina, Kan.
11.	August 7-10, 1878	Peabody, Kan.
12.	September 24-28, 1879	Abilene, Kan.
13.	October 13-18, 1880	Lawrence, Kan.
14.	October 5-9, 1881	Bunker Hill, Kan.
15.	October 25-30, 1882	Salina, Kan.
16.	October 24-29, 1883	Eureka, Kan.
17.	November 25 to December 1, 1884	Topeka, Kan.
18.	October 20-26, 1885	Peabody, Kan.
19.	October 12-18, 1886	Waterville, Kan.
20.	October 25-31, 1887	Abilene, Kan.
21.	October 23-28, 1888	Lawrence, Kan.
22.	October 1-6, 1889	Atchison, Kan.
23.	October 21-27, 1890	Salina, Kan.
24.	October 20-25, 1891	Emporia, Kan.
25.	October 18-23, 1892	Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memorial.
26.	October 17-22, 1893	Kansas City, Mo., First Lutheran Church.
27.	October 16-21, 1894	Topeka, Kan.
28.	October 15-20, 1895	Abilene, Kan.
29.	October 20-25, 1896	Lawrence, Kan.
30.	October 20-24, 1897	Peabody, Kan.
31.	October 19-23, 1898	Hutchinson, Kan.
32.	October 18-22, 1899	Atchison, Kan.
33.	October 3-7, 1900	Waterville, Kan.
34.	October 16-20, 1901	Wellington, Kan.
35.	October 15-19, 1902	Salina, Kan.

36. October 21-25, 1903.....St. Joseph, Mo.
37. October 19-23, 1904.....Eureka, Kan.
38. October 17-21, 1905.....Emporia, Kan.
39. October 16-17, 1906.....Topeka, Kan.
40. October 15-18, 1907.....Ottawa, Kan.
41. October 16-20, 1908.....Peabody, Kan.
42. October 15-19, 1909.....Kansas City, Mo.
43. October 14-18, 1910.....Lawrence, Kan.
44. October 17-20, 1911.....Abilene, Kan.
45. October 18-22, 1912.....Hays, Kan.
46. November 14-18, 1913.....St. Joseph, Mo.
47. October 16-20, 1914.....Eureka, Kan.
48. October 15-19, 1915.....Topeka, Kan.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas

CONVENED IN THE FIRST ENGLISH LUTHERAN CHURCH, TOPEKA, KANSAS, OCTOBER 15-19, 1915

The Forty-eighth Annual Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Kansas convened in the First English Lutheran Church, Topeka, Kansas, October 15-19, 1915. Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., Pastor, *loci.*

The opening service was held Friday evening. The acting President, Rev. Paul Mennenoeh, preached the sermon. His subject was "The Fascination of Christ as a Preacher." The Recording Secretary *pro tem.*, and the Statistical Secretary assisted in the service.

FIRST BUSINESS SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1915—9 A. M.

The devotional services were conducted by the acting President. The program as arranged by the President was made the official program of the Synod, with the exception of the report of the Committee on Necrology, for which another hour was arranged. The clerical roll was called and the lay delegates were enrolled.

ROLL OF SYNOD

No.	Ministers.	Entered Ministry.	Residence.	Lay Delegates.
1	‡R. B. Kirtland	1857	Salina, Kans.	
2	‡D. Scholl	1859	Seattle, Wash.	
3	‡H. H. Hall	1869	Chapman, Kans.	
4	John A. Bright	1872	Topeka, Kans.	
5	‡J. F. Cressler	1872	North Platte, Neb.	
6	S. Palmer	1875	Lawrence, Kans.	
7	C. W. Sifferd, D. D.	1875	Tulsa, Okla.	
8	J. A. Koser	1875	Sedalia, Mo.	
9	B. F. Pugh	1877	Ottawa, Kans.	
10	J. C. Jacoby, D. D.	1879	Wellington, Kans.	*T. A. Frack.
11	A. B. Shrader, D. D.	1882	Kansas City, Kans.	H. L. Rohe.
12	M. F. Troxell, D. D.	1882	Topeka, Kans.	B. F. Younger.
13	H. L. Yarger, D. D.	1885	Atchison, Kans.	
14	M. L. Exline	1887	Hutchinson, Kans.	
15	H. L. Koogle	1888	Chapman, Kans.	
16	G. G. Clark	1890	Wichita, Kans.	L. W. Bauerle.
17	I. B. Heisey	1892	Chapman, Kans.	*W. H. Betz.
18	†H. Zimmerman	1893	Nebraska, City, Neb.	
20	P. Toasing	1893	Atchison, Kans.	
21	N. H. Royer, D. D.	1893	Oklahoma City, Okla.	*John Shirk.
22	S. G. Hefelbower, D. D.	1893	Topeka, Kans.	
23	Carl G. Aue	1895	Emporia, Kans.	Louis T. Bang.
24	H. S. Lawrence, D. D.	1895	Peabody, Kans.	*W. H. Holler.
25	George S. Murphy, D. D.	1896	St. Joseph, Mo.	G. W. Bell.
26	J. H. Fetterolf	1896	Perth, Kans.	*Martin Fox.
27	E. E. Stauffer, D. D.	1897	Lawrence, Kans.	E. Anderson.
28	B. R. Lantz	1898	Salina, Kans.	H. M. Clark.
29	C. F. Wiest	1898	Hays City, Kans.	C. M. Holmquist.
30	Andreas Bard, D. D.	1899	Kansas City, Mo.	D. W. Witmer.
31	†J. T. Miller	1899	Santa Fe, Kans.	
32	‡J. Barnes	1904	Talmo, Kans.	
33	C. G. Stacy	1904	Wilson, Kans.	George Kistler.
34	H. F. Martin	1905	Abilene, Kans.	W. H. Broughton.
35	R. L. Patterson, D. D.		Atchison, Kans.	B. D. Zimmerman.
36	L. A. Harshman	1907	Ottawa, Kans.	S. H. Weigle.
37	William Calvert	1909	Hutchinson, Kans.	I. D. Elder.
38	C. J. Ferster	1909	Waterville, Kans.	D. W. Bryan.
39	Paul Mennenoeh	1911	Eureka, Kans.	*S. L. Petterson.
40	C. W. Seville	1913	Minneapolis, Kans.	Erbentraut.
41	J. C. Miller	1915	Whitewater, Kans.	*Dr. H. H. Norris.
..	Vacant	....	Lancaster	
..	Vacant	....	†Greenleaf	F. Vicory.
..	Vacant	....	†Bendena	C. M. Albers.
..	Vacant	....	Campus	
..	Vacant	....	Effingham	
..	Vacant	....	Norcatur	
..	Vacant	....	†Valley Falls	I. M. Dornblaser.
..	Vacant	....	Garnett	
..	Vacant	....	New Cambria	
..	Vacant	....	Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Mo.	H. A. Spencer.

*Absent. †Have regular supply. ‡Absent and excused.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The President having removed from the bounds of Synod, the records and official papers of the President were turned over to the Secretary, as provided by the constitution, who assumed the duties of the Presidency.

The following summary of official acts of the year is compiled by both the President and the acting President:

Deaths.

Rev. Bernhardt Theodore Sickel died December 3rd, 1914, at North Madison, Ind., and was buried in Ashland Cemetery, St. Joseph, Mo., December 6th. The funeral services were held in the First Lutheran Church, in charge of the pastor, Rev. Geo. S. Murphy, D. D., assisted by the President of Synod.

Rev. W. H. Schrock died in Elkhart, Ind., January 26th, and was buried January 29th at Middlebury, Ind.

Rev. Howard C. Garvic died in Atchison, Kan., March 6th, 1915, and was buried at Springfield, Ohio, March 10th, 1915. Funeral services were held at Atchison, Kan., March 9th, in St. Mark's Lutheran Church. The Synod was represented by the President and Secretary.

Resignations and Dismissals.

Rev. J. N. Marxen, to take effect May 1st. Dismissed to the German Nebraska Synod.

Rev. A. M. Reitzell accepted a call to Trinity Lutheran Church, Beatrice, Neb., February 15th, 1915. Dismissed to the Nebraska Synod March 2nd, 1915.

Rev. George Beiswanger accepted a call to Messiah Lutheran Church, Constantine, Mich., August 1st. Dismissed to the Northern Indiana Synod September 1st.

Rev. C. J. Ferster, to take effect November 1st. He desires to pursue postgraduate work at some university.

Calls Accepted.

Rev. Jos. C. Miller accepted a call to Whitewater May 1st.

Rev. Robert L. Patterson, D. D., accepted a call to Atchison October 10th. Received from the Synod of North Carolina.

Rev. H. Psicholz accepted a call to Beloit.

Installations.

Rev. H. F. Martin, Ph. D., was installed pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Abilene, Kan., Nov. 15, 1914. Rev. R. B. Peery, D. D., delivered the charge to the pastor and Rev. R. B. Lantz the charge to the congregation and conducted the act of installation.

Rev. C. W. Seville was installed pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Kan., Nov. 20, 1914. Rev. H. F. Martin, Ph. D., delivered the charge to the congregation and Rev. G. G. Clark the charge to the pastor and conducted the act of installation.

Dedications.

Nov. 8, 1914, the First Evangelical Lutheran Church, Tulsa, Okla., was dedicated, Dr. H. L. Yarger, D. D., preaching the sermons morning and evening and conducting the worship of offerings.

The new house of worship is built of red brick with white stone trimmings, is 44 by 70 feet, two-story, and cost, with lot, $12,566.00. The interior is finished in oak and is beautifully decorated. The pews and chancel furniture are finely grained elm. The good work of Dr. Sifferd and his people in acquiring this fine property will greatly advance our work in Tulsa.

St. Paul's, Wichita, Rev. G. G. Clark, pastor. The dedication of this beautiful church edifice to the service of God took place June 27, 1915. Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., preached the morning sermon. The service of dedication took place in the afternoon at 3 o'clock. The service was in charge of Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D., who represented the Synod. The following brethren assisted in the service: Revs. H. S. Lawrence, D. D., J. H. Fetterolf, J. E. Miller, P. H. Mueller, a retired Lutheran pastor of Wichita, and several resident pastors of Wichita. Rev. H. S. Lawrence preached the evening sermon. Dr. H. L. Yarger conducted the worship of offerings during the day. The building is Romanesque in architecture, forty-two by seventy-nine feet in size, with a square crown tower thirteen by thirteen feet for the main entrance at the northeast corner facing Market street. The entire basement is completed with partitioned class rooms for the Sunday School, which open into one large room by means of sliding folding doors. The auditorium is beautifully finished and furnished with mahogany-finished pews and cathedral glass windows. The seating

capacity, including the gallery, is about five hundred. The entire property represents an expenditure of $15,594.00. The church is a marvel for cheapness, and is beautiful and churchly in appearance within and without. To the pastor is due great credit, not only for his untiring and incessant labor, but for his wise business management during the entire course of construction. To his good people much praise is due for their loyalty to their pastor during this crucial period of their history, and for the sacrifice which they have made for the church of their love. The dedication of this church completes an epoch of history which means much for the Lutheran church and Synod of Kansas.

First English Lutheran Church, Topeka, Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D. This church has been made over entirely in external appearance and improved in many ways. Modern towers replace the old shingle roof tops, the old soft brick has been covered with first cement plaster and then a coat of Carthage grit mixed with white cement, the gables have new projecting eaves, the art glass has been reset where needed, the windows in towers have been made entirely new, the basement has been cemented and completed for social and practical purposes, Sunday School carpet replaced, chair rail and lights for singers, and other items about the property for its betterment make almost a new church at Topeka. Services of reopening and dedication were held on Sunday, September 12th, when Dr. H. L. Yarger preached the morning sermon on "The Strength and Beauty of the Sanctuary," and Rev. Paul Mennenoeh preached the evening sermon on "Christ and His Church." The U Girls' Club of the church beautified the church with plants and flowers, the choir rendered choicest music. Many persons in Topeka have said that the church is now the most beautiful in appearance of all the churches of the Kansas capital.

Ad-Interim License.

At the request of Mr. Martin Ritzen and the congregation at Garnett, Kans., and by consent of the Examining Committee, I issued an Ad-Interim License to Mr. Ritzen. The license expired September 15th.

At the request of Mr. Martin Schroeder, a beneficiary of our Synod and on the approval of the President of the German Nebraska Synod and the Theological Faculty of Midland

College and by the consent of the Examining Committee I issued Ad-Interim License to Mr. Schroeder. The license expired September 15th.

Appointments.

June 27th Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D., to represent the Synod at the dedication of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Wichita, Kans., Rev. G. G. Clark, pastor. August 11th Revs. B. R. Lantz and G. G. Clark to adjust the Bunker Hill difficulty.

August 13th I directed Rev. H. Psicholz to visit and supply Beloit with a permanent arrangement in view. The Advisory Board granted him $10.00 towards defraying his expenses.

September 2nd Rev. B. R. Lantz to represent Synod at a joint Council meeting of the Bunker Hill and Excelsior charges, who desired a separation of these two congregations. I shall refer this matter to a committee to bring in a complete report, so that the Synod may have a perfect knowledge of the condition.

I have appointed Rev. G. G. Clark on the Examining Committee to fill the place left vacant by Rev. G. Beiswanger.

I requested Rev. H. Dysinger, D. D., to represent Synod at a farewell service held in St. John's Church, Salina, for Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kenner, who will soon leave for our Mission field in India. I appointed Rev. H. F. Martin to go to Effingham in the interest of having a pastor called for that congregation.

September 27th Rev. H. F. Martin to assist Rev. C. G. Stacy in making a canvass of Wilson, relative to the establishment of a Lutheran church there. The matter will be referred to the proper committee.

Messrs. B. D. Zimmerman and Martin Jensen of Atchison to audit the Treasurer's books.

Rev. H. F. Martin Secretary pro tem.

Rev. B. R. Lantz to represent the Pastor's Fund; Rev. H. S. Lawrence the Deaconess Board.

Official Visits.

December 6th I attended the funeral of Rev. B. T. Sickel, and also preached at the evening service and assisted in the administration of the Holy Supper in the First Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Mo., Rev. G. S. Murphy, D. D., pastor.

January 5th I visited Atchison, Kans., and presented the matter of summer supply work to the students of the Seminary.

January 1st I addressed the congregation and friends of the First Lutheran Church, St. Joseph, Mo., Rev. G. S. Murphy, D. D., pastor, on the occasion of the first anniversary of the dedication of the new church.

March 9th I attended the funeral services of Rev. H. C. Garvic, at Atchison, Kans.

April 20th I visited Garnett and addressed the congregation when Rev. Ritzen took charge for the summer.

May 29th and 30th I visited Norcatur; May 29th Long Island; May 31st and June 1st Beloit and June 1st Chapman. In connection with the Beloit-Chapman visit there was an expense of three dollars.

Supplied Churches.

The following churches are supplied: Bendena by Rev. J. F. Krueger, Ph. D.; Greenleaf by Rev. R. B. Perry, D. D.; Lancaster by Rev. Carl Krueger; Valley Falls by Rev. Holmes Dysinger, D. D. There is no change in the relationship of these congregations.

Vacant Churches.

Campus—Nothing has been done during the year. The interested members subscribed towards the support of the Synodical Missionary and were jubilant in expectation of the revival of the work.

Effingham—This congregation has engaged Mr. Ghent of the Seminary to preach for them during the next three months.

Garnett—This congregation was ministered to by Mr. M. G. Ritzen during the Christmas holidays and also during the Easter festivities and supplied during the summer. Mr. Ritzen has accepfed a call to Garnett and expects to look after the congregation during the school year and take charge May 1, 1916.

New Cambria—This congregation wants a pastor and is able to pay a reasonable salary in addition to providing a parsonage. Some means should be used to help this people secure a suitable shepherd.

Norcatur and Long Island—I arranged to have a minister supply this charge with the view of becoming a permanent pastor. The supply was unsatisfactory and the arrangement terminated at the end of three months.

Children's Memorial—This congregation is endeavoring to secure a successor to Rev. Beiswanger.

Improvements.

Abilene—Parsonage improvements costing $100.

Chapman—New pews, new furnace in the parsonage, the whole amounting to $550.

Emporia—Installed a new heating plant costing $200.

Eureka—Two new altar chairs at a cost of $40.

Greenleaf—New furnace, new windows, the interior painted and decorated at a cost of $1,000.

Kansas City, Mo., First—A new $50,000 church building is being erected by this congregation.

Lawrence—Electric lights have been installed in all parts of the church with beautiful center chandelier with indirect light. Cost $130.

Ottawa—Electric lights installed, windows screened in the church at a cost of $40, the labor having been donated.

Salina—Plans have been adopted for a new $40,000 church. Building will begin in the spring.

St. Joseph, Mo.—Sleeping porch, $200; sewers, $100; increased radiation, $200.

Waterville—Church remodeled at a cost of $950. A two manual Pipe Organ installed.

Wellington—Repairs on church and parsonage at a cost of $250.

Whitewater—Electric lights installed in the church, parsonage papered and painted on the inside at a cost of $125.

Minneapolis—New carpet, new altar, statue of Christ, a fine set of candelabra of seven candle-stick design, church and parsonage repaired, $360.

Bunker Hill—Carpet and linoleum for aisles and rear of the church, cost $50.

State of the Church.

I submit to you a report of the net gain in communicant membership of those congregations who reported for the past year: Abilene, 12 per cent; Bunker Hill, 13 per cent; Chapman, twenty per cent; Emporia, not reported; Eureka, ten per cent; Greenleaf, one per cent; Hutchinson, thirty-two per cent loss; Kansas City, Mo., First, ten per cent; Lawrence, none on account of removals; Minneapolis, forty-one per cent; Ottawa, loss on account of revision of list of members; Perth, seven per cent; St. Joseph, seven and one-half per cent; Salina, eight and one-half per cent; Sedalia, twenty per cent; Valley

Falls, none; Waterville, none; Wellington, twenty per cent; Wichita, none; Wilson-Excelsior, two per cent. The average net gain of these congregations is fourteen and fifty-seven hundredths.

A study of the various reports shows that the attendance of two congregations in diminishing, stationary in four congregations, growing in sixteen congregations.

As a whole the young people attend the services of the church regularly, though in some congregations a greater faithfulness is desirable.

Some of the reasons given for non-attendance of the children: Parents stay at home with them; fault of parents and Sunday School teachers; parents neglect.

The majority of our pastors observe Lent with blessed results.

In answer to the question whether there has been a religious awakening, the majority of the pastors answer no.

All pastors have brought before their congregations and councils all matters upon which the Synod has requested action.

Most of the congregations read Lutheran Church Work, although it would be well for some congregations to make a thorough canvass for more subscribers.

The male average attendance at our prayer meetings is five, female fifteen.

Parents are faithful in presenting their children for baptism. There is, however, a noticeable neglect on the part of the parents in discharging their religious obligations to their children.

In most families family worship is neglected.

Congregations are generally prosperous. Offerings for benevolences and church support are made regularly and systematically.

In most cases the pastors' salaries are paid promptly, though in a few instances the congregations are in arrears. Several pastors have had an increase in salary, none a decrease.

I am glad to say that only a few of the churches depend on fairs and suppers for the support of the church. The members are giving of their means as the Lord has prospered them.

Most of the church officials attend morning services; only about fifty per cent attend evening services.

We may well say concerning the work of the past year,

"Well done." Let us, however, not be satisfied with our work, but let it be an inspiration for greater and more faithful service in the future.

Recommendations.

It seems to be the belief of a number of the brethren that the questions embodied in the report on the state of the Church are too numerous and many are of no practical purpose.

I believe that a number of questions could be eliminated. As one pastor says: "With one-half of this number, framed in a different manner and more Lutheran in their inference, I am sure that I could portray conditions more intelligently in my answers, at least."

So I recommend that the officers of Synod be requested to revise the list and eliminate all unnecessary questions.

PAUL MENNENOEH, Acting President.

The President's report was referred to the proper committee.

Amendment to the Order of Business, Section 5, adopted as submitted by Rev. H. F. Martin.

"A comma placed after the parenthesis in Section 5, Order of Business and this wording inserted, as the last official act of his office, and then inform the members that election of officers for the ensuing year be attended to.

2. In Section 19, the phrase "The election of officers" be stricken out.

On motion the first five rows of seats were made the bar of Synod.

On motion the hours of adjournment were fixed at 11:45 a. m., and 4:30 p. m.

Election of officers resulted as follows: Rev. C. F. Wiest, President; Rev. Paul Mennenoeh, Secretary; Mr. W. M. Thistle, Treasurer; Rev. L. A. Harshman, Statistical Secretary; Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., Historian of Synod.

On motion Rev. R. B. Peery, Ph. D. of the Nebraska Synod, was made an advisory member of this Synod.

The report of the Treasurer was read. (See page 60)

The report of the Auditing Committee was read and adopted.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, the undersigned committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's books, wish to submit the following report: The balance of $1,652.54, as shown by his books, we have found to be correct and can further state that the accounts have been kept in a very careful and satisfactory way by Mr. W. M. Thistle.

Respectfully,

B. D. ZIMMERMAN,
MARTIN JENSEN.

Report of Committee on Sunday Services read and adopted.

REPORT OF SUNDAY SERVICE COMMITTEE.

October 16, 1915.

Mr. President:

Your Committee for Sunday Service beg to report the arrangements for Sunday Service of Synod as follows:

Sunday School—9:45 A. M.

Teacher for Men's Bible Class—Rev. S. H. Lawrence, of Peabody.

Teacher for Ladies' Bible Class—Rev. Wm. Calvert of Hutchinson.

Morning Church Service—11 o'clock.

Synodical Communion Sermon by Rev. Carl G. Aue of Emporia.

Sunday afternoon 3 o'clock meeting at Y. M. C. A.—Laymen's Missionary Movement; Address by Rev. C. H. Brosius of Africa.

Young People's Meeting—6:30 P. M. Address by Rev. B. R. Lantz of Salina; Rev. Horace Martin of Abilene.

Evening Service—7:30. Ordination sermon by Rev. Geo. S. Murphy, D. D., of St. Joseph, Mo.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. TROXELL, Chairman.

Messrs. H. W. McAfee and G. W. Bell were elected Trustees of Synod.

Mr. C. W. Walker of Atchison was granted permission to address the Synod.

Report of Committee on Last Year's Minutes was read and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MINUTES OF LAST CONVENTION.

We, your committee, submit the following report relative to the minutes of the last convention:

1. We find that the record of the minutes of the last convention has been neatly and carefully made.

2. On page 21 of the printed minutes at the top of the page, was the action of the Committee and Synod on Nachusa Orphanage carried out? Yes.

3. Was the standing rule on page 32, printed minutes, relative to offerings for ministerial education followed? In part.

4. On bottom of page 39, printed minutes, in report of Trustees of Midland College this recommendation is found: "That a committee of five consisting of three laymen and two ministers be appointed by the President of Synod to co-operate with the Board of Trustees in devising plans for carrying out this canvass." Was this fulfilled? Yes.

Why was the change made to three ministers and two laymen? Don't know.

5. Page 44 in Report of Apportionment Committee, why is Tabitha Home listed at ten cents a member and the General Synod has apportioned this institution but five cents? Special pledge.

6. Page 51. The matter of the pledge of $100 to Midland College, which was made in the name of the Kansas Synod by John A. Wible, and referred to the new officers, what was done in regard to this matter? Not paid.

7. On page 52, Article 18, did the President and Secretary sign the resolution and send it to the Senate and House of Representatives? Yes.

8. Page 52. The recommendation relative to the special offering for Breklum, was it taken? In part.

9. Page 52. The recommendation that a committee be appointed relative to the celebration of the 400th anniversary of the Reformation, was this done? No record.

10. Page 54. Did the Secretary follow instructions relative to correspondence with Mr. W. H. Feldman? Yes.

11. Why does not the Treasurer sign his report on pages 58 and 59? Oversight.

12. Why was the time and place of the meeting of Synod omitted from the Synodical calendar? Oversight.

13. Why were the pledges of the Kemmer Fund omitted from the printed minutes of Synod? Oversight.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. HARSHMAN, Chairman.
C. W. SEVILLE.

Session closed with prayer by Rev. J. A. Koser.

SECOND BUSINESS SESSION.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1915—1:45 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. C. J. Ferster.

Roll was called. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Rev. C. A. Brosius of Liberia, Africa, was made an advisory member of the Synod.

The following motions presented by Dr. M. F. Troxell were adopted.

Resolved, That we record our deep interest in the Laymen's Missionary Campaign now beginning in the cities of our country to continue for six months in seventy-five of the leading cities of the United States, closing with a National Missionary Convention, meeting next April in Washington, D. C. And inasmuch as Topeka is a center for a convention campaign under the auspices of the Laymen's Missionary Movement in two weeks from this time, be it moved that we set apart the hour of 11 o'clock Monday as special order to hear Mr. Benjamin Starr of New York, Executive Secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement, concerning the proposed campaign in Kansas.

Resolved, That we accept the invitation to call at the executive office of the Governor of Kansas in order to be re

ceived by Governor Capper on Monday, October 18th, 1:15 P. M.

On motion, Mr. J. W. Walker was instructed to advise the Commercial Club of Atchison that if the Publication Society establish a depository in the West, the Kansas Synod favors its location at Atchison and will request the Publication Society to this effect.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF NACHUSA ORPHANAGE.

To mention best things first, the health of our thirty-five children is and has been good. Our farmer, with help of our boys, raised during the past season all kinds of vegetables in abundant quantity; his corn ranked high among the best in the country. The upper story of our main building has been finished, an electric pump has been installed and a new hog house built. Until a month ago our children were under the care and training of a Deaconess. Last year seven of our larger boys and girls drove to Dixon every school day and attended high school. The smaller children went to the town school in Nachusa. They all go to the Lutheran Church and Sunday School and those ready for it are received into the pastor's catechetical class. Our children are orderly, well behaved, bright and interesting. They show careful training.

Applications for about 20 children have been refused during the year because we have no more room and no means with which to care for them. We need a boys' dormitory and a superintendent's home. But since there is an indebtedness on the home of about $4,000, expenses are high and money is scarce, the Board sees no way of providing additional room.

At present the Nachusa School Board refuses to let the children of the House attend the public school, hence we need a teacher of our own. Thus far efforts to fill this need have been in vain.

We need a superintendent—a man to look after the business interests of the Home and also to get out in the field and present its needs to our people, but, as yet, no suitable man has been found. The call is loud and insistent; it is a call to loving service to the Saviour in the care of lambs of the flock. The Board has been trying to find a man for superintendent whose wife would act as matron, but has about given up in despair of ever securing that combination. To the Lord we

are praying for the right man—to our brethren we are sending out this call.

Of course, clothes and foodstuffs of every kind are always acceptable and can be used. A little personal attention to this matter, a little thoughtful help along these lines, would help beyond computation and would cheer our children, the Board and our helpers more than could be told.

These children have been given to us; we must provide for their temporal and spiritual needs; though the House is not on our Synodical apportionment, it is on our consciences and should be on our hearts. Last year Kansas Synod gave to the Orphanage the sum of $210.

We recommend:

First: That at least one offering a year be given to the Nachusa Orphanage.

Second: That the needs of the House in food and clothes be brought to the attention of our people and help solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. SHRADER,
R. J. JOHNSON.

Adopted.

The election of Trustees for Nachusa Orphanage resulted as follows: Rev. A. B. Shrader, D. D., and Mr. R. J. Johnson.

President R. B. Peery, Ph. D., addressed the Synod in behalf of the Board of Education and Midland College.

The President appointed the following committees:

Committee on President's Report—Rev. Carl G. Aue, Rev. A. B. Shrader, D. D., D. W. Witmer.

Committee on Minutes of Conference—Rev. Wm. Calvert, C. M. Holmquist.

Committee on New Churches—Rev. A. Bard, Ph. D., Rev. B. R. Lantz, E. Anderson.

Committee on Vacant Congregations—Rev. Geo. S. Murphy, D. D., Rev. J. H. Fetterolf, C. M. Albers.

Committee on Claims—Rev. C. E. Stacy, Rev. John A. Bright, Charles Erbentraut.

Committee on Absentees and Excuses—Rev. J. A. Koser, Rev. B. F. Pugh, I. M. Dornblaser.

Committee on Correspondence—Rev. I. B. Heisey, Rev. H. F. Martin, H. M. Clark.

Committee on Apportionment—Rev. C. W. Seville, Klaas de Freese, L. W. Bowerle.

Committee on Parochial Report—Rev. C. E. Stacy, Rev. J. C. Miller, C. M. Holmquist.

Committee on Resolutions—Rev. N. H. Royer, D. D., Rev. L. A. Harshman, Louis T. Bang.

Committee on Program—Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D., Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D., B. D. Zimmerman.

Committee on 400th Anniversary of the Reformation—Rev. H. S. Lawrence, D. D., Rev. B. R. Lantz, Louis T. Bang.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LUTHER LEAGUE.

October 16, 1915.

The Luther League of Kansas held its fourth annual convention April 27-29, 1915, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Peabody, Kans.

While your committee were not present, we learn from different sources that the meetings were well attended, and many of the speakers were of our young people, whose papers indicated interest and ability.

A special feature of interest was the presence and inspiration of the Rev. Luther M. Kuhns, D. D., Acting General Secretary of Luther League of America.

We recommend a more general representation of the various organizations of our young people, that our churches may receive the inspiration which naturally comes through such channels.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. FETTEROLF,
J. A. KOSER.

Adopted.

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK OF THE KANSAS SYNOD.

The particular work of your committee this year has been to receive the weekly reports of the various Sunday Schools on postal cards provided for that purpose; make a monthly average, and tabulate results for the issues of the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

We have sought through the columns of the Synodical paper to get an expression from the various schools with regard to certain phases of the Sunday School work, but the response has been very indifferent. One request was for a report of the most commendable feature of individual schools. Responses came from two schools: Bendena and Minneapolis, Bendena reported that the most commendable feature in their school was that the attendance of the boys exceeded that of the girls. Minneapolis reported the high percentage of attendance as compared with the enrollment.

Eighteen schools have regularly reported their attendance, and offering: Abilene, Atchison, Bendena, Bunker Hill, Chapman, Emporia, Eureka, Greenleaf, Kansas City, Children's Memorial, Kansas City, Kans., Minneapolis, Oklahoma City, Ottawa, Sedalia, Topeka, Tulsa, Valley Falls, and Wellington. Occasional reports have come from Salina, Waterville, and Wichita. No reports have been received from New Cambria, Beloit, Campus, Garnett, Lancaster, Lawrence, Norcatur, Peabody, Perth, St. Joseph and Whitewater.

Through the Synodical paper we have emphasized certain points: The establishment of a Teacher Training Class, Monthly Sunday School Teachers' Meetings, Lutheran Literature and Hymn Books. Observation of Special Days, proper advertisement of them and preparation for them; Suggestions of Best Books for Sunday School Workers, and a Plan of Accountability whereby teachers should make reports monthly to the superintendent of the progress or decline of their classes, and officers should make reports of the work assigned them.

Following is a report of increases and decreases of schools with regard to officers, scholars, local expenses and benevolences:

TABLE SHOWING INCREASE OR DECREASE OVER YEAR 1914.
Blank Spaces Show No Change from Previous Year.

Schools—	Officers & Teachers.		Scholars.		Support of Schools.		Benevolence.	
	Inc.	Dec.	Inc.	Dec.	Inc.	Dec.	Inc.	Dec.
Atchison	....	....	....	38	$	$ 1.00	$ 2.00	$ .....
Abilene	....	....	45	....	15.00	.....	.....	2.00
Bendena	....	....	30	....	3.50	.....	.....	20.00
Bunker Hill Zion	....	2	....	8	33.00	.....	.....	31.00
Bunker Hill Excelsior	....	....	12	....	7.50	.....	11.50	.....
Chapman	....	5	7	....	30.00	.....	2.00	.....
Emporia	5	....	....	4	9.00	.....	16.00	.....
Eureka	3	....	50	....	44.90	.....	.....	3.00
Greenleaf	....	....	5	....	.....	30.00	1.50	.....
Hays	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	26.00	.....
Hutchinson	....	3	35	....	.....	3.00	18.00	.....
K. C., Mo., First	....	....	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kansas City, Kans	....	....	....	10	.....	53.00	.....	35.00
Lawrence	....	....	11	....	.....	7.00	.....	1.00
Minneapolis	2	....	12	....	9.00	.....	19.00	.....
New Cambria	1	....	25	....	25.00	.....	14.00	.....
Oklahoma City	....	....	....	15	.....	51.00	.....	6.00
Ottawa	1	....	....	12	25.00	.....	4.00	.....
Peabody	2	....	....	....	.....	61.00	49.00	.....
Perth	....	....	5	....	2.00	.....	.....	.....
St. Joseph	....	5	....	19	95.00	.....	8.00	.....
Salina	13	....	34	....	263.00	.....	37.00	.....
Sedalia	1	....	....	6	.....	1.50	.....	5.50
Topeka	....	10	65	....	9.00	.....	.....	.....
Tulsa	2	....	12	....	65.00	.....	.....	38.00
Valley Falls	....	4	20	....	.....	26.75	18.25	.....
Waterville Evang	1	....	5	....	5.00	.....	8.00	.....
Waterville Hebron	1	....	10	....	3.00	.....	.....	.....
Waterville Eng. Evang	1	....	....	....	.....	2.00	.....	.....
Wellington	2	....	....	20	14.60	.....	.....	3.00
Whitewater	....	....	12	....	5.00	.....	2.00	.....
Wichita	2	....	16	....	78.50	.....	.....	.....
Totals	37	29	391	122	$721.10	$245.25	$236.25	$164.50
Net increase or decrease	8	....	259	....	475.85	.....	70.75	.....

We would report the reorganization of at least two Sunday Schools: Effingham and St. James. If there are others they have not come to our knowledge.

For the coming year your committee would recommend a report of schools by means of a reply post card that might be sent out at the first of the month by the Superintendent of the Department to the Secretaries of the various schools. This would save some labor on the part of both Secretary and Superintendent, and perhaps result in better response.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. MARTIN,
I. B. HEISEY,
C. J. FERSTER.

Adopted.

MEETING OF TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

The meeting of the Trustees of Synod was held in Topeka, Kans., October 15, 1915. The acting President called the meeting to order. The bond of the Treasurer was approved.

Minutes were read and adopted.

PAUL MENNENOEH,
Acting President.
HORACE F. MARTIN,
Secretary pro tem.

Service closed to engage in the Preparatory Service.

The President appointed Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D., to convey greetings to the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society assembled in convention and invite them to participate in the Preparatory Service.

The Preparatory Service was held at 3:30 P. M. The service was conducted by the President, Rev. C. F. Wiest.

Rev. G. G. Clark preached the sermon.

MEETING OF THE MINISTERIUM.

The meeting of the Ministerium was held Saturday, October 16, 1915, 4:45 P. M., and was opened with prayer by Rev. B. F. Pugh.

The report of Committee on Examination for Licensure and Ordination was submitted.

Your Committee on Examination beg leave to report as follows:

We have examined Rev. J. E. Miller on all subjects not covered by his examination for licensure last year, and recommend him for ordination.

We have examined Messrs. Albin Heinz, Martin A. Schroeder and Klaas de Freese on all subjects required by the

constitution which they have pursued in their Seminary course thus far, and recommend that they be licensed.

(Signed) GEO. S. MURPHY,
GEO. G. CLARK,
CHAS. F. WIEST,
J. C. JACOBY,
B. R. LANTZ.

Adopted.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. C. A. Brosius.

SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE.

The Saturday evening service was in charge of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society.

Mrs. A. B. Shrader presided. Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., conducted the Liturgical Service. Rev. John Bright offered prayer. The address of the evening was delivered by Rev. C. A. Brosius, our missionary at Liberia, Africa. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. N. H. Royer, D. D.

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICE.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Synod, Rev. C. F. Wiest having charge of the service. Rev. Carl C. Aue preached the sermon. Rev. Paul Mennenoeh conducted the Liturgical Service. The entire Synod and the members of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society joined in the service.

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE.

The ordination sermon was preached by Rev. Geo. S. Murphy, D. D. Rev. J. C. Miller was ordained to the gospel ministry. Messrs. Klaas de Freese, Albin Heinz, Martin Schroeder were licensed to preach the gospel for one year.

The officers of Synod were assisted in the Service of Ordination and Licensure by the entire Examining Committee.

THIRD BUSINESS SESSION.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1915—8:30 A. M.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. C. J. Ferster.
Roll called and minutes read and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Your Committee on Correspondence has received a communication for this Synod from Rev. A. B. Leamer, which we desire to read. It is as follows:

At a conference of all the delegates who attended the General Synod at Akron from west of Chicago, the matter of holding a conference of pastors, congregations, brotherhoods and missionary societies, was seriously considered and a committee was appointed to make such arrangements as were necessary for carrying out this project. Rev. C. G. Aue is your member of this committee.

The plan is to have representatives from all of the above organizations who shall meet at such time and place as the committee decides upon and the purpose is to consider those matters that are of especial interest to us in our western field: to become better acquainted personally and to secure a better knowledge of the entire field; to increase our sympathy one for the other in this, our great work of reclaiming all Lutherans, and enlisting the membership of all who are not identified with the church; to arouse the spirit of benevolence so that we will more adequately support our own work and will become less dependent upon the gifts of other sections of our land; to make our motto, "Western Missions Maintained by Western Means" real.

We must also arouse the Church in this section to the need of more men for the ministry. We have splendid material and if we will put the same emphasis upon the claims of the ministry as our business and professional schools put upon other lines of work, it is evident that we can win many more for this great office. By coming together and agitating these great themes we will be able to lay them upon the hearts of all in such a way that they will seriously present the cause of the ministry to the boys, and they in turn will conscientiously consider it and many of them will accept the call.

We are anxious that your Synod endorse this movement by appointing the above named as your representative and

giving him authority to aid in the arranging for such a meeting and providing for his expense to the meeting of the committee when it shall be called to complete all arrangements. I am sure that you will agree with us that a meeting of this kind will be of vast importance to us and our work, and knowing this to be true, let us work together for its greatest success as a means for the extending of the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour.

Resolved, (1) that we co-operate in holding the proposed Western Missionary Conference.

Resolved, (2) that we appoint Rev. C. G. Aue as our representative on the Committee of Arrangements.

Resolved, (3) that we instruct Rev. Aue to present this matter to the Synodical Convention of the Woman's Society.

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. HEISEY,
H. F. MARTIN,
H. M. CLARK.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

Foreign Missions	$0.32	
Home Missions	.40	(Increase of 3 cents)
Church Extension	.26	
Board of Education	.20	
Pastor's Fund	.10	
General Synod Treasurer	.07	(Increase of 2 cents)
Deaconess Board	.10	
Home for the Aged	.05	
Tabitha Home	.05	
Ministerial Education	.15	
Synodical Home Missions	.05	
Synodical Treasurer	.10	
Kansas Synod Lutheran	.05	
Seminary Contingent Fund	.04	
Synodical Missionary Superintendent	.26	
TOTAL	$2.20	

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. SEVILLE,
KLAAS E FREESE,
L. W. BAUERLE.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LUTHERAN CHURCH WORK.

Your committee beg leave to report as follows:

The number of pastorates reporting subscriptions to Lutheran Church Work is twenty-one of the thirty-seven in the Synod. The number of subscriptions reported is 337. Last year 462 were reported, showing a loss of 125. This apparent loss may be accounted for by the failure of some pastors to report the number of subscriptions in their charge.

We rejoice in the success of the Lutheran Church Work Committee in purchasing the Lutheran Observer and in merging the two papers into one to be known as "Lutheran Church Work and Observer," the first issue of which will appear October 28th, with 24 pages slightly larger than the Observer and at the price of $1.00 per year. The new publication is the property of the General Synod and its official organ.

In response to the request of the editor that this Synod take some definite steps to enlarge the circulation of this official organ among our churches,

We recommend:

1. That we, as a Synod, undertake to increase the number of subscribers in the Synod to 1,000 within the next year.
2. That a standing committee be appointed to take the matter in charge, and accomplish, if possible, this object.
3. That the Secretary of Synod be instructed to inform the editor of Lutheran Church Work of this action.

Respectfully submitted,

G. G. CLARK,
A. B. SHRADER,
C. G. AUE.

Adopted.

On motion, Dr. H. Dysinger was made an advisory member of the Synod.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LUTHERAN BROTHERHOOD.

Your committee submits the following report:

There seems to have been no special activity in this capacity during the year. We regret to report that a few of the Brotherhoods are in a disorganized condition. Very few have been of any material help to the pastors or of special service

to the Church. One organization, however, has been effected at Ottawa, with a membership of thirty-two. Topeka proposes to organize this year.

The enlistment of the interest of the men of the church is of paramount importance. Brotherhoods arouse men to action and afford them the means of doing effective service. Therefore we urge all our pastors to call attention to the importance of this phase of church work and its possibilities.

By request of Dr. S. S. Waltz, Chairman of the Brotherhood Committee of the General Synod, we direct the special attention of Kansas Synod to a new Manual which is being prepared. The Manual will suggest valuable plans for use in the various Brotherhoods. It will be supplied in any quantity, on request, at the cost of printing and mailing.

We recommend that on the program of the next meeting of Synod a layman be appointed to present the work of the Brotherhood at some evening service.

Respectfully submitted,

N. H. ROYER,
GEO. W. BELL.

Adopted.

October 16, 1915.

The Every Member Canvass Committee reports that a majority of the churches have conducted an Every Member Canvass during the past year. A number of churches which have not yet done so, expect to make a canvass soon.

Your committee recommends that pastors and Church Councils give careful attention to the communications and suggestions of the Laymen's Forward Missionary Movement and adopt this Scriptural program of Church finances as nearly as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

B. R. LANTZ,
E. E. STAUFFER,
S. G. HEFELBOWER.

Adopted.

REPORT OF OFFICERS ON SYNODICAL ORGAN.

Mr. President:—

As the editors and business managers of the Kansas Synod Lutheran, we beg to report that we have issued twelve num-

bers of the monthly paper during the year, with an average edition of 1,800 copies. The total income from the apportionment has been $200.88. The printing and postage and other incidental expenses of the paper aggregate a sum just covering this amount, the last bill of the printer, Rev. Paul G. Tonsing, having been so adjusted as to come within the amount of income, so that we are glad to report no deficit in the financial management of the Synod paper.

It is our sad duty to note here also the death of our lamented brother, Rev. H. C. Garvic, to whose energy and devotion to the Synod and the Church so much of the venture of the paper is due. After issuing four monthly numbers of the paper, death called him away from his earthly labors to the higher ministry of the immortal life. Following the death of Brother Garvic, the officers of Synod appointed the assistant editor and manager, Rev. M. F. Troxell, as editor and manager, and Rev. L. A. Harshman of Ottawa, as assistant. The policy Brother Garvic inaugurated, so far as understood by his associates, has been maintained in the management of the paper, and there have been many indications on the part of the people of the congregations of the Synod that the monthly visitor has been welcome and helpful in the work of the church.

We recommend the following:

1. Resolved, That the proper committee of the Synod prepare a suitable memorial upon the death of our brother, Rev. Howard C. Garvic.

2. Resolved, That the Kansas Synod Lutheran be continued for another year, under the same apportionment and general plan of the year past.

3. Resolved, That all the pastors of Synod be requested and urged to appoint local correspondents to furnish items of interest and news from the field.

Respectfully submitted.

M. F. TROXELL, Editor and Business Manager.
L. A. HARSHMAN, Assistant Editor.

Item 1. Adopted.
Item 2. Adopted.
Item 3. Adopted.
Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Mr. President:—

Your Committee on Ministerial Education would report as follows:

All the young men aided last year pursued their studies in Midland College and the Western Theological Seminary.

Rev. Joseph Miller completed his course in the Seminary and has accepted a call to our Whitewater charge.

Mr. Albin Heinz of the middle class in the Seminary supplied a newly organized German-English congregation in Salem, S. D., during the summer months.

Mr. Martin Schroeder supplied a German-English congregation in Barada, Neb.

Mr. Alexander Eckert took work in the summer school at Midland and thus made up his academic studies and enters college a full Freshman.

Mr. Karl Friedman completed his work in the Academy last June and enters college a Freshman.

For the new year the following recommendations are made:

1. Mr. Karl Friedman, Mr. Albin Heinz and Mr. Martin Schroeder each $125.00.

2. Mr. Alexander Eckert, $100.00.

3. Mr. Vernon Grothe of Wichita, Kans., asks some aid during the year. He is highly commended by his pastor as a worker in the congregation and by the college professors as a faithful student. We recommend that if needed he be granted aid to the amount of $50.00.

4. Mr. Alexander Beyer has also made application for aid. Mr. Beyer is a senior in college and is taking part of the first year in the Seminary. Owing to his inability to get money from his native land, he is compelled to ask for aid. The professors in the Seminary speak highly of him as a student and recommend him to our Synod for aid. We recommend that Mr. Beyer be given an appropriation of $125.00.

5. Our Treasurer holds a number of old notes that are worthless and we recommend that such notes, given by Mr. Chatham, Mr. J. C. Larson and Mr. J. W. Busard, be destroyed.

6. We recommend that the notes of Mr. Chas. McCullough and Rev. Hugo Pohlman be returned to them. The former was providentially prevented from entering the ministry, and the latter has served in the ministry for over ten years.

7. Your committee would recommend that new notes be printed, and that after the words, "faithfully work therein," the words "for a period of not less than ten years" be inserted.

8. We have had application blanks printed embodying the rules of the Synod, so that those applying for aid will know exactly what the conditions of the Synod are. We recommend that they be adopted by the Synod.

9. We begin the new year with a balance in the treasury of $147.60. We have appropriated the sum of $650.00 and to meet this obligation we recommend an apportionment for the year of 15 cents per member.

10. A communication has been received from the Ministerial Education Committee of the English Nebraska Synod saying that their Synod had eight applications for aid, and had promised to take care of them, but feel that the burden is too heavy and asks us to take some of their applicants on the funds of this Synod. We recommend that the committee be authorized to take on their funds during the year any worthy applicant as far as the funds will allow.

11. We would report that during the past year Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kemner attended Midland College the larger part of the year and have since started on their journey for the foreign missionary field in India.

The whole amount pledged for their support last year was $202.75. Of this amount $157.00 has been paid. We are sure that sufficient funds will be paid to liquidate all obligations of our missionaries acquired while at school.

We rejoice in the outcome of this effort and bid our missionaries Godspeed in their good work.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. YARGER,
GEO. S. MURPHY,
W. M. THISTLE.

Adopted.

On motion, Rev. J. F. Krueger, Ph. D., was made an advisory member of the Synod.

Dr. H. L. Yarger presented a report on the consolidation of the Boards of Home Missions and Church Extension.

Mr. Benjamin Starr of New York presented the work of the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

Motion prevailed that a committee of three be appointed to take the matter of Advisory Board and Missionary Committee election under advisement and report to this Synod its action. The President appointed the following to serve on this committee: Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D., Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., Rev. B. R. Lantz.

The session closed with prayer by Rev. H. F. Martin.

FOURTH BUSINESS SESSION.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1915—2 P. M.

Session was opened with prayer by Rev. L. A. Harshman.

Roll was called.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NECROLOGY.

In Memoriam.

Your Committee on Necrology would respectfully report the following:

Since the last meeting of this body three of our ministerial brethren have passed to their final reward.

The first death is the man who is at the head of our clerical roll, Rev. Bernhardt T. Sickel, who was born in Erfurt, Germany, April 23, 1835. Died at North Madison, Indiana, December 3, 1914, aged almost eighty years. He prepared himself for the ministry by attending school at Halle and Magdeburg, Germany, and came to America in 1860. He was a learned man, a great linguist, an active, forceful preacher and teacher, serving charges in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and Texas.

He had retired from his abundant labors and made his home in St. Joseph, Mo., where funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Dr. G. S. Murphy, and burial in Ashland Cemetery, same city.

On our roll of membership, No. 23, we find the name of Rev. William H. Schrock, who was born at Middlebury, Ind., May 29, 1868. After a lingering illness and intense suffering he was called to his heavenly home January 27, 1915, aged 47 years.

A sweet, loving, gracious spirit, full of unusual loveliness, characterized all his ministries. Short funeral services were held at Elkhart, Ind., after which the body was taken to Middlebury, Ind., where a beautiful funeral service was held in charge of Pastor J. A. Hanning, assisted by many clergymen. Interment was made in that place.

The next brother marked for death, we must go down the Synod roll to the 39th. There we find the name of Rev. Howard C. Garvic. In the beauty, strength and utility of his manhood suddenly called to his reward. Truly "Death loves a shining mark."

Rev. Garvic was born in Sulphur Springs, Ohio, in 1879, died at Atchison, Kan., March 8, 1915, aged but 36 years.

He graduated from Whittenburg College in 1904 and from the Seminary in 1907. He served as pastor at Perrysville and Mansfield, Ohio, and St. Mark's Church, Atchison, Kan., from 1912 until his departure.

Impressive funeral services were held in his church at Atchison, conducted by Dr. J. F. Krueger, assisted by many brethren. The body was taken to Springfield, Ohio, for interment.

Earnest, active, faithful unto death, then "the crown of Life."

"And as the years roll on,
"And their loved flocks go up to them, their hands
"Again shall lead them gently to the Lamb.
"Amen."

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. PUGH.
JOHN A. BRIGHT.
WM. CALVERT.
Committee.

Adopted.

Prayer was offered by Rev. John A. Bright.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF MIDLAND COLLEGE.

Your representatives of the Board of Trustees of Midland College make the following report:

In our report last year we stated that the opening had been the best in the history of the college. We are pleased to report that the opening this year was even better than that of

last; there being an increase of enrollment in the college classes of about 15 per cent.

There have been a number of changes in the personnel of the teaching force. New teachers were secured to take the places of those resigning, in the following departments:

In the English Department Professor W. P. Kline has taken the place of Dr. C. F. Malmberg. Miss Elizabeth Martin, who for a number of years has been instructor in the institution, was elected principal of the academy to succeed Professor Soper; and Miss Millam as teacher of expression. Mr. Wm. Weidlein was secured as an instructor in the academic department and as athletic coach.

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees the Executive Committee of the college was instructed to proceed with the erection of the new gymnasium and central heating plant and empowered the committee to borrow, if necessary, a sum not to exceed $25,000. In accordance with this instruction the Executive Committee has secured plans and specifications, and has let the contract for this new building, which will probably cost, when finished and furnished, a sum not to exceed $33,000.

The new gymnasium and central heating plant will be 96 feet long and 52 feet wide and three stories high. On the first story will be located a central heating plant, a kitchen, swimming pool, shower baths and lockers for the boys and girls. The second story will contain an office for the physical director and modern gymnasium sufficiently large and with equipment for all kinds of indoor athletic training. The third story will be devoted to the running track and gallery.

Material used for the construction of the building will be cement basement walls, with the remaining part of the building built of dark red, hard burnt brick.

The campaign for Improvement and Endowment is being carried on in a very successful manner by President Peery, a sum approximating seven thousand dollars having been raised during the summer months. If each church will do its part this fund will be materially increased during the coming months. The Executive Committee has arranged to make a campaign for funds in the city of Atchison during the early part of the coming year, and have arranged with Mr. Barber, a professional campaign fund raiser, to conduct the canvass. We are glad to report that the Atchison Commercial Club has endorsed our plans to raise this money and has instructed its officials to co-

operate with the committee in the canvass. We hope to raise at least $50,000.00.

A very successful session of Summer School was conducted this year, the second year of the Summer School. The past Summer the Summer School and Teachers' Institute were combined, which made the enrollment reach a goodly number of eighty, more than three times what it was last year. The Summer School promises to become one of the most fruitful agencies in helping the growth of the institution.

We have in attendance this year in the Seminary as many as were enrolled last year, being 14. The need is more young men directly from the congregations, larger institution and increased library facilities.

Our institution at Atchison was never in so good a position to do efficient work as at present, and we are glad to report that the interest in Midland on behalf of our pastors and congregations is satisfactorally increasing. Our churches are being opened to our President and representatives of Midland College for the purpose of informing our constituents of the work and the needs of the college, and, also, for the canvass for funds. We would earnestly ask that every opportunity be afforded the representatives of the college to present claims and interests of the institution whenever such request shall come from those in charge of the work, and that persevering prayer shall be made from every pulpit and family altar for God's Blessing and Love on Midland College and the official Board.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. STAUFFER.
B. R. LANTZ.
LOUIS T. BANG.
M. F. TROXELL.
C. J. ERIKSEN.

Adopted.

The election of Trustees to Midland College resulted as follows: Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D., Mr. C. J. Ericksen.

Dr. Holmes Dysinger presented the cause of the Seminary.

The cause of Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. C. A. Brosius.

Rev. B. R. Lantz presented the cause of the Pastor's Fund.

Rev. A. B. Shrader, D. D., was elected a member on the Advisory Board of Home Missions.

Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D., was elected Editor and Business Manager, and Rev. L. A. Harshman Assistant Editor for the Kansas Synod Lutheran.

Motion prevailed that hereafter in the election of delegates to the General Synod, the names of delegates shall be placed on record in order of number of votes received, and that in the case of regular delegates not being able to attend, the alternates shall go, in the order of their election, beginning with the one receiving the highest number of votes.

Your committee to bring in recommendations on the plans of operation suggested by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension would report as follows:

1. That our Synod constitute a Synodical Missionary Committee, composed of four ministers and three laymen and that this committee work during the coming year in conjunction with the Advisory Board of Home Missions of the Synod.

2. That the Synodical Missionary Committee follow, in so far as feasible, the rules and regulations suggested by the Board of Home Missions and Church Extensions.

3. That the representative from this Synod on the Home Missionary and Church Extension Council be elected to the Synod from the membership of the Synodical Missionary Committee.

4. That the following named persons, with the term designated, be members of the Synodical Missionary Committee, the President being a member ex-officio:

Rev. B. R. Lantz, 1918.	Mr. A. V. Lindell, 1917.
Rev. C. G. Aue, 1917.	Mr. D. D. Lantz, 1918.
Rev. R. B. Patterson, D. D., 1916.	Mr. A. T. Olson, 1917.
Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D., 1916.	

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. STAUFFER.
H. L. YARGER.
B. R. LANTZ.

Adopted.

Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D., was elected a member on the Home Missions and Church Extension Council.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HOME FOR THE AGED IN WASHINGTON, D. C.

The building spoken of in last year's report as being erected, and was so necessary in many respects, is now completed. It is a fireproof brick structure, 230 feet long, two stories high, with a central building three stories high, having an office, a large dining room, library, infirmary, two rooms for the deaconesses, a chapel seating one hundred and fifty persons, sixty living rooms, four servants' rooms, an adequate heating plant, kitchen, laundry, general storage rooms, cold storage, and trunk rooms.

The cornerstone was laid on November 9, 1913, with appropriate ceremonies. Rev. J. A. Singmaster, D. D., President of the Theological Seminary of Gettysburg, Pa., was the chief speaker on that occasion. The work went gradually forward and was completed October, 1914.

On Tuesday, November 24th, 1914, after a brief service of farewell in the old building the members were conducted to the new building. The dedicatory services were held on Founder's Day, May 19th, 1915. Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., President of the General Synod, was the speaker. The members of the Board of Trustees, the members of the Board of Lady Managers, and many others had part in the formal program. It is reported as being a very happy occasion.

The total cost of the building, furnishing, grading, etc., is $91,155.64—all building contractors are paid. To do this a loan had to be obtained; $23,500 was borrowed from the Columbia National Bank of Washington, D. C., for which notes were given by the Home now standing. An estimate of building and grounds, twenty acres, is $150,000.00. There yet remains much to be done. The enlarged building means heavier expense. The inmates of the Home are constantly increasing at about the rate of one per week. This Home needs your prayerful consideration. The Home is reported as being exceedingly well looked after.

Your committee recommends:

The cause of the Home to the kind consideration of this Synod, it merits all that can be done for it.

Respectfully submitted,

H. L. YARGER.
WM. CALVERT.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SEMINARY CONTINGENT FUND.

Your committee reports that, at the beginning of the year there was

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Received	50.00	
Total	$303.83	
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Respectfully submitted,

G. G. CLARK.
H. W. McAFEE.

Adopted.

The session closed with prayer by Rev. J. A. Koser.

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MINISTERIUM.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1915—5 P. M.

Prayer, Rev. A. B. Shrader.

The President of Synod presented a letter from Rev. Kirschke.

Motion prevailed that the President be instructed to inform Rev. Kirschke that inasmuch as he had never been properly enrolled as a member of the Kansas Synod, his request could not be rightfully granted.

Minutes were read and adopted.

Prayer, Rev. Wm. Calvert.

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The service was in charge of Rev. H. F. Martin.

Address by Rev. B. R. Lantz, "The Fascination of the Sunday School."

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FIFTH BUSINESS SESSION.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1915—8:30 A. M.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. C. J. Ferster.

Prayer, Rev. H. A. Koogle.

Roll was called.

Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted.

Motion prevailed that the Committee on Apportionment be instructed to lay an apportionment of twenty-six cents for the salary of the Synodical Missionary.

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Communication From Tabitha Home.

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31, 1915. Would call your attention to a change in the Home, which was made a few weeks since. The Executive Committee found it necessary to discontinue the Hospital until better transportation facilities are established. The vacant rooms are to be used for aged and helpless inmates.

The present number of inmates is 62, 31 aged and 31 children.

Thanking you for all support in the past, and asking every member of the Synod to kindly remember Tabitha Home in the future as well as in the past, or even better, I am thankfully and fraternally,

E. WALTER.

REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING APRIL 1, 1914, AND ENDING MARCH 31, 1915.

Brethren:—The Treasurer's report just read is the best and most important financial report ever submitted to the Board of Directors of Tabitha Home. All reports submitted at this meeting, including this one, convey the welcome information that by God's gracious help much work has been done, great things have been accomplished, bearing testimony that the Lord bestowed his blessing upon Tabitha Home in a very perceptible degree during the past year. Liquidation of debts of about $15,000.00, improvements and repairs amounting to $11,196.00; regaining of the confidence of the large business firms, are some things which have been accomplished since the last meeting, and I am sure of no secondary importance to this board or any one interested in this institution. Expensive repairs and improvements which had been postponed not only on account of the uncertainty concerning the future of the institution, but also because of the lack of necessary funds have been made, and nearly all the bills for the same are paid. About $500.00 is the amount of unpaid bills for improvements. Would mention the following: The building painted without and within, new floors in the corridors and some rooms; partitions in the bath rooms on all four floors; a sewing room with wardrobes on two sides for clothing and linen for aged and children; arrangements for one room as dressing room for children and with wardrobes for the children's clothing; a playroom for the children; a wooden floor, wainscoting and painting in the main kitchen; linoleum and painting in dining room in the basement; a linen room on the hospital floor; and some sanitary apparatus

in the bathroom on that floor; operating room and sterilizing room and diet kitchen enameled; a modern signal system and better light facilities; a canvas roof on balcony of the third floor for the helpless aged; a new hot water tank and a new and larger pump and water tanks for our water system; the roof extensively repaired and fire escapes erected, a new smokestack, new flues for one of the heating plant boilers and some repairs on the other boiler, a new tunnel for the heating system with steam pipes, the old tunnel constructed of wood being decayed, new tunnel constructed of sewer tiling, a large ice box, which reduces ice bills considerably. All these and a number of smaller repairs and improvements were made during the past year.

What else has been done last year? In its three departments the institution has again diligently endeavored to be a faithful hand-maiden of the Master, has always been busy doing good unto the Lord's needy ones. Quite a number of aged and children needing a home because they were homeless and lonely and poor, asked for admission into the Home. The larger number of applicants has been admitted, some, however, could not be received, either for lack of room or because the applicants were members of other churches and for that reason were asked to apply for admission at a similar institution of their own church first, since Tabitha Home according to the admonition of the apostle endeavors to do good unto all men, but—especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

Giving a report on the work of a year at an institution like Tabitha Home it is necessary to state the number of inmates taken care of. These figures may count, they do not tell, however, of all the difficulties and self-sacrifice, of all sorrow and joy, of the days of great needs and of abundant blessing. God knows it, that is sufficient. Forty-four aged and helpless, 37 children and 69 patients have been taken care of at Tabitha during the past year. Nine of the aged died, 3 have been dismissed and 11 received during the year. The present number is 33, 15 men and 18 women. Of the 11 newly received, 3 were helpless, 5 had passed the fourscore year mark, 1 is deaf and dumb, 3 were without means of any kind. Since several of our helpless have been called away during the past year, to the land where there are no helpless or infirm, we have at present only 7 helpless, 1 deaf and dumb, and 1 deaf, dumb and blind. I regret very much to report that one of our aged

ladies had to be transferred to the State Hospital for the Insane. The best of care was given her in our hospital for the last eight months, and not until it was absolutely necessary and in order to protect the other inmates of the Home, was she taken to the State Hospital. As soon as the mental condition of the unfortunate aged lady permits us to do so, we shall take her into the Home again. The last winter was a rather hard one for the aged. Some weeks we had 5 to 6 in the hospital all the time. Not all old people in Homes for the Aged are so fortunate as to have a hospital to which they can be transferred at once in case of serious sickness. We are glad indeed to be able to give them such good care in case of need.

Of the 37 children taken care of during the year, 25 were admitted during the past year. At present there are 26 in the Home. Since the picture of the children was shown in the Tabitha Home Messenger, many applications for admission have been received, and even more applications for children, especially for the smallest ones. These requests for little children could not be granted, since all of them have either a brother or sister here at the Home, and we do not have the heart to separate them, so long as the Church and the friends of the Home provide us with the means to keep them. In some cases the father is still living, who is willing to pay for their care as much as he can, which is very little in most cases because of the expense entailed by the protracted illness of the mother of the children. Some of the children have been sick during the past winter, but at present they are enjoying good health and are a very happy lot.

Sixty-nine patients were admitted to the hospital during the year. The receipts were smaller than last year, but the expenses were also much smaller. Besides it is well to note that many patients who were without means and who were members of our congregation were cared for, free of charge. Fifteen patients came from the homes of our pastors, who were kindly given help in time of need, and are now great friends of the institution.

Divine services have been held quite regularly, nearly every Sunday, except when the superintendent was unable to secure another pastor in case of his own absence.

In conclusion we wish to thank all who have been so kind as to give us support in word and deed. Most of all we thank

the Lord, who gave strength and means to do something for the needy and afflicted.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNST WALTER,
Superintendent.

Adopted.

The election of Trustees of Tabitha Home resulted as follows: Mr. C. W. Horn and Mr. E. Anderson.

The President appointed the standing committees. (See list of Standing Committees.)

Motion prevailed that a committee of three, with the Secretary as chairman, be appointed to codify the present constitution, include all amendments and resolutions that have been passed, and report a revised and orderly draft of it at the next session of Synod. The President appointed the following committee: Rev. Paul Mennenoeh, Rev. Carl G. Aue, Mr. H. F. Rizer.

Invitation for the next session of Synod was received from the First Lutheran Church, Kansas City, Mo.

Kansas City was chosen as the next place of Synod, October 17-20, 1916.

Motion prevailed that when this Synod adjourns it adjourn to meet on Tuesday evening of the week of the date set by the Synod. This date is to always remain the same to enable the laymen to attend the regular sessions of the Synod.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE.

The world outlook, as regards temperance and prohibition, is most cheering. The governments of the earth are moving toward that goal which God's people have long been seeking—that day of the death of the Demon, King Alcohol. Indeed, it is now, almost, if not quite a misnomer to speak of him as king. The Czar of all the Russias has declared his overthrow in his wide domain. France has banished him from his long occupied place in that fair land. Germany led by the example

and instructions of the Emperor is fast marching against him in the strong place of his occupation in that great empire. In the English speaking world wonderful progress has been made toward his prohibition of power and practice of abominations. In our own blessed land, state after state is being added to the dry column and the halls of Congress have been witnessing evidences of the near approach of the National Prohibition of the liquor traffic. Secretary of the Navy Daniels has abolished the wine mess of the navy. Even our large cities, where the demon is most strongly entrenched and hardest to control, are taking steps toward the exactest legal control of the nefarious saloon and liquor business; and then we trust soon will be seen the voting out, even in the big cities, of the traffic all together. For example, on October 10th, of this year, the saloons of Chicago, seven thousand and one hundred and fifty-two in number, were closed by the order of the mayor in obedience to the laws of Illinois. In one of the most striking demonstrations in the city's history 25,000 temperance advocates paraded the principal streets of the business district in honor of the mayor's stand for the fulfillment of the laws and in opposition to the whisky men. Many great corporations are fighting for abstinence and efficiency. Newspapers to the number of five hundred and twenty and sixty-three magazines have declared their hostility to liquor advertising, and hundreds announce their allegiance to national constitutional prohibition.

In Kansas we may take just pride in our history of a full generation of human life, over thirty-three years, of state wide prohibition, and, also, in the present delightful accord of all parties and our present governor Arthur Capper, regarding our laws and their enforcement in the cause of temperance. In view of all the signal victories won and the fore-gleams of the light of the day of world-wide temperance and prohibition, we recommend the following:

1. Resolved, That we continue our efforts to secure total abstinence for the individual and national constitutional prohibition of our Government.

2. Resolved, That we endorse the work of the Anti-Saloon League of America and pledge our support in every reasonable effort toward its work for God, and Home, and Native Land.

3. Resolved, That we recommend that the Synod petition the Kansas Legislature at its next session, to pass laws more definite and easily enforced regarding the closing of theaters

and picture shows now open on Sunday in defiance of law in some of the cities of our state.

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. TROXELL,
Chairman.

Adopted.

REPORT OF DELEGATES TO GENERAL SYNOD.

The Forty-Seventh Convention of the General Synod was held at Akron, Ohio, May 26th-June 2nd, 1915.

After a very able sermon by the retiring President, Rev. H. L. Yarger, D. D., the Synod organized by the election of Rev. J. A. Singmaster, D. D., of Gettysburg Theological Seminary, President; the reelection of Rev. Frank P. Manhart, D. D., Secretary, and Mr. Geo. H. Knollenberg, Treasurer.

The Forty-Seventh Convention was an epoch-making one. True to its conservative spirit, the General Synod was, nevertheless, markedly progressive. Interest in the great moral and spiritual work of the Church was maintained from the beginning to the end of the sessions. Harmony reigned supreme. The business was translated with the earnestness and the careful consideration that should characterize such a body deliberating upon those things which have to do with the dealing of immortal souls.

The action of the Synod looking toward union with other Lutheran bodies is most gratifying and hopeful. The fraternal delegates (from the General Council and United Synod of the South), voiced sentiments in harmony with this great ideal, which was kept constantly before the convention. Appointment of representatives to arrange for another Free Conference of Lutherans in America, the authorization of the General Synod'ts Committee on Practical Co-operation and Fraternal Conference to enter into negotiations with any other properly delegated committees from the Lutheran bodies looking toward organic union, the adoption of a Common Service Book and Hymnal, the agreement to publish a common Sunday School literature, the endorsement of the plan for a Proposed Lutheran Federation looking toward wider and larger Lutheran co-operation, such sentiments as "Your committee would respectfully recommend that this General Synod does hereby again affirm its sympathy with all of the movements and indications which may be regarded as gratifying signs of the growing unification of the Lutheran bodies of this country," expressed

in numerous reports—all testify to a closer drawing together of our beloved Church in America.

This General Synod has distinguished itself by effecting two mergers of far-reaching consequences.

The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension have been consolidated. The details of this consolidation were fully explained to the body and unanimously endorsed at yesterday's sessions.

The Committee on Official Church Paper recommended that the General Synod purchase the stock of the Lutheran Observer Association and that the Lutheran Observer and the Lutheran Church Work be consolidated, the consolidated paper to be under the control of the General Synod. The recommendation was adopted. The General Synod will soon have one paper, "Lutheran Observer and Church Work." It will be held in trust by the Publication Society for the General Synod. The General Synod, through its Church Paper Committee, will elect the editor and have editorial control. The General Synod urges all pastors and congregations to give the new paper their most earnest support so that a subscription of 20,000 may be realized at an early date.

Inner Mission Board.

A new Board was created, the Inner Mission Board. The aim of this Board will be to realize the wonderful vision of the Christian Church so that the congregation will develop the spirit of Christ-like service in redeeming men from the wound of sin, whether in soul or body. A constitution was adopted. The Board consists of eleven members. The Executive Committee of the General Synod will authorize the expenditures of the Inner Mission Board.

Pastors' Fund Day.

A new day, to be known as, "Pastors' Fund Day," was designated by the Synod. It is the first Sunday in July, or the Sunday following. All congregations are requested to take offering for the "Pastors' Fund Endowment."

Sunday Schools.

The following Lutheran Sunday School standard was adopted:

1. Open all year.
2. Cradle Roll and Home Department.

3. A Teachers' and Business Meeting.
4. At Least One Organized Club.
5. Missionary and Temperance Instruction and an offering for the Boards of the Church.
6. An Enrolled Teachers Training Class (a class taking the written examinations).
7. Bible Used in All Departments.
8. Graded Organization and Instruction.
9. Christian Nurture and Confession of Christ.
10. Lutheran Sunday School Literature Used in All Departments.

Your delegation rejoices that such a standard has been set and urges all the Kansas Synod Schools to seek its attainment.

This Synod will be grateful to learn that a committee of three was given power to prepare in conjunction with similar committees from other Lutheran bodies, a common system of graded lessons. This system will be heartily welcomed by the General Synod and will meet a long felt need in our Church. Necessarily several years will be required for its completion.

Common Hymnal.

The General Synod adopted the Common Service Book and Hymnal of the Lutheran Church, authorized by the General Synod, the General Council and the United Synod of the South. All books will be printed from common plates. The book will contain over six hundred hymns. The Hymn Book Committee will conserve the interests of the General Synod in the publication of the Common Hymnal.

Lay Reader.

Realizing the presence of an inadequate ministry, the General Synod provided for Lay Reader in the Church. Any communicant of the Lutheran Church, at least twenty years of age, and possessing the qualifications of a deacon described in the Word of God, may serve as a congregational Lay Reader in the Church of which he is a member under the authority of the Pastor and Church Council. In the absence of the pastor and by his request, he may read the morning and evening service of the church, omitting the absolution, and he may also read an approved sermon. The President of Synod may commission congregational Lay Readers to serve as Synodical Lay Readers to conduct services in vacant churches and missions. All Synodical Lay Readers shall be commissioned publicly, ac-

cording to a form to be provided by the General Synod, at a service conducted by the President of the Synod in some convenient church as soon after the annual meeting of Synod as possible. It is highly desirable that the churches of the Kansas Synod seek out such qualified men to act in this capacity.

Reformation Celebration.

An elaborate program was adopted for the celebration of the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the Reformation. The Anniversary Committee is co-operating with five other Synods in making proper preparations for an adequate observance of this great event. The Joint Committee have distributed its efforts in three general sections, Public Meetings, Literature, Publicity and Jubilee Fund. These terms are self-explanatory; $1,000,000.00 is the mark set by the General Synod for the Luther Memorial Fund to be used for the educational work of the Synod.

Temperance.

The Synod took high ground in the matter of advanced temperance measures and voted $500.00 per annum for the conduct of temperance work.

Formula of Government.

The Common Service Committee submitted a proposed Formula for the Government and Discipline of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. The Formula was recommitted. A revision is highly desirable and in all likelihood will be made at the next meeting of the Synod.

Apportionment.

The General Synod asks the Synod of Kansas to accept the following apportionment:

Foreign Missions	$0.32
Home Missions	.40
Church Extension	.26
Board of Education	.20
Pastors' Fund	.10
General Synod Treasurer	.07
Deaconess Board	.10
Home for the Aged	.05
Tabitha Home	.05
Total	$1.55

(Increase of 5 cents.)

Miscellaneous.

The reports of our Eleemosynary Institutions showed them to be in prosperous condition. Brotherhood and Laymen's Missionary Movement reports were enthusistically received and the splendid work of our men received appreciation and encouragement; significant statistics were presented and analyzed; the state of the Church was carefully considered; the American Lutheran Survey was officially endorsed and various important items of business transacted.

The next meeting of the General Synod will be in Chicago in 1917; a date after Whitsunday to be selected by the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

B. R. LANTZ.
CARL G. AUE.
N. H. ROYER.
E. E. STAUFFER.
PAUL MENNENOEH.

Adopted.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Your committee on the President's report beg leave to submit the following:

We find that the affairs of Synod committed to the hands of the President were most carefully and conscientiously administered, and after leaving the bounds of the Synod, the Secretary took up the work and carried it on most efficiently.

We recommend, first:

That the whole matter in the report relating to the Missionary Superintendent be referred to the Advisory Board of Home Missions, and that this part be eliminated from the report.

Second, that the recommendations concerning the revision of blanks on State of the Church be deferred until the present supply is exhausted, and that at such time the officers of Synod make such changes as they deem proper.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL G. AUE.
A. B. SHRADER.
D. W. WITMER.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES.

Your Committee on New Congregations report that at a joint meeting of the Council of the Bunker Hill-Excelsior charge, action was taken looking to the separation of the charge into two pastorates. A resolution was passed that Synod authorize such separation provided the prospects of the organization of a church at Wilson would justify it. The canvass has been made at Wilson. The committee recommends that the charge be divided and that the one pastorate be known as the Bunker Hill charge, and the other as the Wilson-Excelsior charge.

We further recommend that Bunker Hill be requested to make arrangements to have the pastor preach at Campus at least once a month and that Campus be requested to raise a proportionate share of the salary.

Respectfully submitted,

ANDREAS BARD.
B. R. LANTZ.
E. ANDERSON.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON VACANCIES.

According to our information there are, at present, the following vacancies: Beloit, Campus, Kansas City (Children's Memorial), New Cambria, Garnett, Effingham and Norcatur-Long Island.

Rev. R. Psicholtz is at present supplying Beloit, and we are indirectly informed that he will remain there until a regular Pastor is secured.

Children's Memorial, Kansas City, is endeavoring to secure a pastor and will not be vacant long. Garnett was supplied during the Summer by Rev. M. A. Ritzen of the Theological Seminary, and he is making occasional visits now and may become regular pastor when he graduates in the Spring.

Effingham has engaged Mr. John J. Ghent, a junior in the Seminary, as supply for three months.

Norcatur and Long Island were supplied for a while this Summer by Rev. F. F. Fritzler, but we believe he is no longer on the field.

Campus has been vacant for a number of years and must get a pastor soon or the congregation will disintegrate.

New Cambria has been vacant more than a year, but we believe steps are being taken towards securing a pastor.

We recommend:

1. That the President and the Advisory Board of Home Missions use every effort to get pastors for these fields at the earliest possible date.

2. That prior to the meeting of Synod next Fall, the President urge every vacant congregation to send a representative to Synod in order that Synod may be fully informed as to the situation in every charge.

Respectfully submitted,

G. S. MURPHY.
C. M. ALBERS.

Adopted.

The following resolution was introduced by Dr. E. E. Stauffer:

Resolved, That in the future the congregations entertaining Synod shall be expected to provide lodging and breakfast only; following the Harvard plan, and that the home congregations be expected to make provisions for other expenses of their delegates.

Motion prevailed that the pastors, members of church councils and Sunday school superintendents use their influence and give all possible support to the All-Lutheran reunion of Central Kansas that is to be held this coming summer.

REPORT OF COMMITEE ON CONFERENCE.

Your Committee on Conference report that the Northeast Conference was held at Ottawa, April 26th and 27th.

The Southwest Conference was held at Perth, April 27th-29th.

Both Conferences were well attended. A few of the pastors were prevented by sickness.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. CALVERT.
C. M. HOLMQUIST.

Adopted.

The session was closed with prayer by Rev. John A. Bright.

SIXTH BUSINESS SESSION.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1915—1:30 P. M.

Devotional service was conducted by Rev. H. F. Martin.

Prayer, Rev. E. E. Stauffer, D. D.

Roll was called.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and adopted.

On motion, Rev. John F. Seibert of the Northern Illinois Synod was made an advisory member of the Synod.

Motion prevailed that the Secretary of Synod have proper directions printed on the blanks of the Parochial Report and State of the Church.

Rev. John F. Seibert presented the cause of The Lutheran Publication Society.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDENCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Correspondence, would recommend that we co-operate with the Layman's Missionary Movement and ask that the Secretary of Synod secure the names of members of Church Councils of Churches that have not paid their full apportionment so that we will be in a position to furnish them to the officers of this movement enabling them to co-operate with the various churches in raising their apportionment.

Further that we participate in the movement inaugurated by the Joint Synod of Ohio looking to the institution of a Federation of all Lutheran Synods in our land, and authorizing our President to attend any meeting that may be held during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

I. B. HEISEY, Chairman.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ABSENTEES AND EXCUSES.

Your Committee on Absentees and Excuses beg leave to report:

We would recommend that the following, who have been absent from all of our sessions, be excused:

Rev. A. B. Kirtland of Salina.

Rev. J. F. Cressler, San Francisco, Cal.

Rev. D. Sifferd, Tulsa, Okla.

Rev. H. S. Lawrence, D. D., Peabody, Kans.
Rev. J. M. Barnes, Talmo, Kans.
We, also recommend that the following, who have attended some of our sessions, be excused:
Rev. J. H. Fetterolf, Perth, Kans.
Mr. Geo. Kistler, Bunker Hill.
Mr. G. W. Bell, St. Joseph, Mo.
Mr. Chas. Erbentraut, Minneapolis.
Rev. P. J. Ferster and delegate.
Mr. D. W. Bryan, Waterville.

Respectfully submitted,
J. A. KOSER, Chairman.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Parochial Report was read and adopted. (See Appendix A.)

Report of Committee on Apportionment was read and adopted. (See Appendix B.)

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

The Trustees of Synod have been duly sworn into office by a Notary Public and proper steps have been taken to secure a bond for the Treasurer of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES F. WIEST, President.
PAUL MENNENOEH, Secretary.

Adopted.

Report of Committee on Program was read and adopted. (For report, see Program of 1916 Convention.)

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY BOARD.

We beg leave to report, as follows:

The matter of a Synodical Missionary for Kansas was canvassed and considerable work done, but was not consummated.

Children's Memorial at Kansas City is vacant, but hope soon to secure a pastor. The Church Council has decided to ask no aid for another year.

Minneapolis asks for the same support as last year from the Home Mission Board, $300.00, and from the Kansas Synod the sum of $150.00. Although substantial increase in membership during the year has been made, extensive repairs on the church are necessary and crop conditions were unfavorable.

Chapman asks for $50.00 less this year than last. Conditions are favorable to self-support in a few years. There has been a substantial increase in church membership. The Sunday School is in a prosperous condition. Five hundred dollars were spent on church improvements.

Hutchinson. We are pleased to report that this mission through the self-denying efforts of the pastor, Rev. Wm. Calvert, has come to self-support. The congregation is to be congratulated on the forward movement, for the amount received last year was $200.00.

Oklahoma City. This congregation is faithful in attendance on the means of grace and loyal to all the interests of the church. It makes application for $300.00, the same amount as received last year.

Sedalia. This congregation has had a good year, the attendance at services has increased, full apportionment raised and excess reported. The mission received $300.00 last year, but the congregation expects to reduce this amount next year.

Trinity, Kansas City, Kan. On indebtedness $350.00 was paid during the year. Although the membership has been reduced on account of removals, those who remain are faithful and determined. The same appropriation as last year is asked for—$450.00.

Wichita. This congregation has made commendable progress during the past year, having dedicated a beautiful new church building, and expects to be able to cancel its indebtedness on the same during the coming year. The sum of $400.00 is asked from the Board and $100.00 from this Synod, the same amount as received last year.

Wilson-Excelsior. Because of a division of the Excelsior-Bunker Hill charge, this new charge is formed and asks for an appropriation of $250.00 from the Home Mission Board.

Whitewater. Since May 1st, 1915, this congregation has been served by Rev. J. C. Miller, who reports some progress, and also a fine outlook for the future. From the Home Mission Board $150.00 was received and $50.00 from this Synod. This same appropriation will be needed this year. The pastor is instructing a class of sixteen young people, and a Junior Luther League of thirty-one members has been organized.

Beloit. This church is being supplied by Rev. H. Psicholtz, and favorable reports come from the field. No aid is asked for.

Garnett. Student Ritzen supplied this field during the

summer vacation and now visits the congregation regularly from Atchison. No application for aid is made.

Tulsa. No report has come to your committee and hence we have nothing to recommend.

Effingham. This mission was vacant most of the year, but is now supplied for three months beginning October 4th by John J. Ghent of the Western Seminary. He will probably continue throughout the year as he has won the confidence of the people.

Respectfully submitted,
CHAS. F. WEIST, Chairman.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

We recommend that the following claims be allowed:

Printing of cards for Board of Ministerial Education	$ 1.25
1,000 cards for Sunday School Committee	5.00
Dr. Troxell, postage on programs of Synod	2.00
Telephone, long distance, freight on books and drayage	2.25
For stenographers	6.00
Janitor of church	5.00
Printing of programs of Synod	4.00
Printing 100 cards, Rev.	1.25
C. G. Stacy, canvass at Wilson	4.23
P. Mennenoh, Secretary of Synod, stamps	2.61
Drayage	.50
E. E. Stauffer, attending meeting of Board of Trustees of Midland College	3.56
Total	$37.65

Respectfully submitted,
C. G. STACY, Chairman.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MIDLAND COLLEGE ENDOWMENT.

Your Committee on Midland College Endowment would report that a canvass has been made for funds to cover the Synod's pledge of $20,000 to Midland College endowment in the following thirteen congregations, with the amount subscribed by each:

Atchison	$1,240.00
Abilene	700.00
Chapman	800.00

Emporia	$1,200.00
Greenleaf	385.00
Kansas City, Kans.	30.00
Peabody	240.00
Perth	95.00
Topeka	300.00
Bunker Hill	430.00
Excelsior	263.00
Waterville	439.00
Wellington	205.00
Total	$5,762.80

Less than half of the congregations have been visited. If the other congregations will do their part, the prospect for the full amount being raised is bright.

The committee would respectfully ask that the pastors and congregations give all the support possible to this project. The President of the college and those who are conducting the work are desirous of having every member of the Lutheran Church in Kansas given an opportunity to have a part in the raising of this endowment fund. As pastors, we should encourage all our people to make some contribution toward this enterprise. When we consider what congregations of other denominations do for their educational institutions in this state, it behooves the members of our beloved church to be alive to the needs and opportunities of our own educational institutions in this territory.

Your committee would recommend the appointment of another Committee on Midland College Endowment for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. STAUFFER, Chairman.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Whereas Mr. Lloyd Kistler, father of Mr. Geo. Kistler, delegate to the meeting of Synod, was seriously hurt in a railroad wreck at Randolph last Saturday morning;

Resolved, That we instruct the Secretary to convey our deep sympathy and anxious solicitude to both father and son in this, their hour of affliction and anxiety.

Resolved, That we do our utmost to induce the pastors and

churches to use their influence to maintain friendly relationship with all nations; That we deplore the present carnage in Europe as contrary to the tenets of the New Testament, and we make an earnest plea for the speedy disarmament of all nations.

Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the results manifestly accomplished by the information circulated by the Kansas Synod Lutheran and tender our gratitude to its editors and publisher.

Whereas the pastor and members of the First Lutheran Church of Topeka have shown to the delegates of this convention so much courtesy and entertained them so hospitably;

Resolved, That we express our sincere appreciation of their cordiality and their generous efforts to make our visit here pleasant and comfortable.

Respectfully submitted,

N. H. ROYER, Chairman.

Adopted.

The Secretary of the Synod was instructed to have 1,200 minutes printed, including the minutes of the W. H. and F. M. Society, and that they be published by The Lutheran Publication Society.

Motion prevailed that the evening service be not held and that Rev. C. F. Wiest deliver his address at this hour. His subject was "The Lutheran Pastor in His Relation to Civic Problems."

Motion prevailed that a committee be appointed to submit this manuscript to the church papers for publication.

The President appointed Dr. Hefelbower and Dr. Jacoby to serve on this committee.

The President declared the Forty-eighth Annual Convention closed.

Rev. J. C. Jacoby, D. D., offered prayer.

Signed:

PAUL MENNENOEH, *Secretary.*
CHARLES F. WIEST, *President.*

REPORT OF TREASURER.

		German Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	State Synodical Missionary.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastor's Fund.	Deaconess Board.
Balance on hand October, 1914		$.....	$.....	$ 50.00	$179.17	$ 190.55	$ 234.35	$ 210.94	$ 57.69	$ 70.50	$137.50	$109.50
Abilene	Trinity	.....	.....	11.00	24.00	81.00	70.00	56.00	54.70	33.00	22.00	22.00
Abilene	St. James'	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Atchison	St. Mark's	.....	.....	15.00	36.00	112.00	102.00	79.00	60.00	120.00	30.00	30.00
Beloit	Zion	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	25.00	.....	16.00	.....	.....	.....
Bendena	St. John's	.....	.....	8.00	18.00	57.00	49.00	40.00	31.00	23.00	15.00	15.00
Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	.....	.....	3.00	7.00	22.00	19.00	15.00	12.00	9.00	6.00	6.00
Bunker Hill	Excelsior	.....	.....	2.00	6.00	17.00	15.00	12.00	9.00	7.00	5.00	5.00
Campus	Campus	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Campus	Orion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chapman	Scherer Memorial	.....	.....	3.00	6.00	25.00	17.00	14.00	11.00	8.00	5.00	5.00
Effingham	First	.....	.....	.....	1.00	4.00	2.11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Emporia	St. Mark's	13.00	.....	7.00	18.00	54.00	82.00	38.00	29.00	23.00	15.00	15.00
Eureka	Christ	.....	.....	5.00	11.00	34.00	28.00	24.00	18.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
Greenleaf	Trinity	.....	.....	3.00	7.00	21.00	26.50	15.00	17.00	9.00	3.00	2.00
Greenleaf	Barnes, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....
Garnett	St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	5.00	.....	8.00	4.00	.....	.....
Hays	Trinity	.....	.....	3.00	5.82	28.00	20.00	20.00	10.00	7.00	4.00	4.00
Hutchinson	Evan. Lutheran	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.60	14.00	17.40	9.62	5.35	5.30	.....
Kansas City, Mo	First	.....	.....	5.00	12.00	37.00	32.00	26.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
Kansas City, Mo	Children's Memorial	.....	.....	6.00	14.00	44.00	38.00	31.00	24.00	18.00	12.00	12.00
Kansas City, Kans	Trinity	.....	.....	4.00	11.00	33.00	28.00	23.00	18.00	13.00	9.00	9.00
Lancaster	St. John's	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	4.40	.....	.....
Lawrence	Trinity	.....	.....	11.00	26.00	90.00	79.00	66.00	53.00	33.00	22.00	22.00
Minneapolis	St. Paul's	.....	5.00	2.00	4.00	17.00	21.00	9.00	10.50	5.00	9.10	2.60

REPORT OF TREASURER—Continued.

		Home for Aged.	Synodical Home Missions.	Seminary Contingent Fund.	Tabitha Home.	Nachusa Orphanage.	Synodical Paper.	Kenner Support.	Total.	Apportionment.	Deficit.	Excess.
Balance on hand October, 1914		$ 58.00	$ 268.78	$ 203.83	$	$ 14.99	$	$	$1,785.83	$	$	$ .....
Abilene	Trinity	11.00	7.00	.....	22.00	11.47	11.00	10.00	446.17	413.00	.....	33.17
Abilene	St. James	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.00	22.00	16.00	.....
Atchison	St. Mark's	15.00	9.00	.....	36.00	8.00	15.30	20.00	681.30	573.00	.....	108.30
Beloit	Zion	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	3.25	50.25	153.00	102.75	.....
Bendena	St. John's	8.00	5.00	.....	15.00	12.00	8.00	15.00	319.00	292.00	.....	27.00
Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	3.00	2.00	.....	6.00	.....	6.24	5.00	121.24	113.00	.....	8.22
Bunker Hill	Excelsior	2.00	1.00	.....	5.00	2.00	2.00	.....	90.00	88.00	.....	2.00
Campus	Campus	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68.00	68.00	.....
Campus	Orion	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	50.00	.....
Chapman	Scherer Memorial	3.00	2.00	.....	9.00	4.00	6.90	5.00	123.90	102.00	.....	21.90
Effingham	First	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.11	109.00	101.89	.....
Emporia	St. Mark's	7.00	3.00	.....	15.00	.....	7.00	10.00	346.00	278.00	.....	68.00
Eureka	Christ's	5.00	4.00	50.00	9.00	.....	4.00	.....	227.00	168.00	.....	59.00
Greenleaf	Trinity	3.00	2.00	.....	8.50	6.05	1.95	3.00	128.00	112.00	.....	16.00
Greenleaf	Barnes, St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	3.00
Garnett	St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	2.00	.....	.....	1.50	30.50	51.00	20.50	.....
Hays	Trinity	3.00	3.00	.....	4.00	.....	3.00	.....	114.82	172.00	57.18	.....
Hutchinson	Evan. Lutheran	.....	.....	.....	13.00	.....	.....	5.00	82.28	212.00	129.72	.....
Kansas City, Mo	First	5.00	3.00	.....	10.00	.....	.....	5.00	190.00	190.00	.....	.....
Kansas City, Mo	Children's Memorial	6.00	4.00	.....	12.00	6.00	8.04	5.00	250.04	227.00	.....	23.04
Kansas City, Kans	Trinity	4.00	3.00	.....	9.00	3.00	5.00	10.00	182.00	168.00	.....	14.00
Lancaster	St. John's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.40	61.00	48.60	.....
Lawrence	Trinity	11.00	7.00	.....	22.00	9.00	11.00	.....	462.00	417.00	.....	45.00
Minneapolis	St. Paul's	3.00	1.85	.....	4.00	13.10	2.90	5.00	114.05	69.00	.....	45.05

REPORT OF THE TREASURER—Continued.

		German Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	State Synodical Missionary.	General Synod.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastor's Fund.	Deacones Board.
New Cambria	St. John's		$	$	$ 2.00	$ 14.00	$ 10.00	$ 5.00	$ 2.00	$ 5.00	$ 2.00	$ 2.00
Norcatur	St. Mark's				1.72	10.00	8.00	7.00	3.20	4.00	1.00	1.00
Norcatur	St. Paul's											
Oklahoma City, Okla.	First			5.00	12.00	40.00	34.00	28.00	21.00	15.00	11.00	11.00
Ottawa	St. Paul's			4.00	10.00	29.00	26.00	21.00	16.00	12.00	8.00	8.00
Peabody	St. Paul's			12.00	28.00	88.00	76.00	62.00	47.00	36.00	24.00	24.00
Perth	St. James'			3.00	7.00	23.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	9.00	6.00	6.00
St. Joseph, Mo.	First			16.00	32.00	120.00	104.00	84.00	65.00	49.00	32.00	32.00
Salina	St. John's			18.00	44.00	134.00	116.00	94.00	84.00	54.00	49.40	36.00
Sedalia	Trinity		3.30	5.00	12.00	37.00	32.00	26.00	22.75	15.00	10.00	10.00
Topeka	First			10.00	25.60	40.00	30.00	28.50	40.00	30.35	15.00	10.00
Tulsa, Okla.	First			5.00	12.00	36.00	31.00	25.00	19.00	14.00	10.00	10.00
Valley Falls	St. Paul's			2.00	5.00	13.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	4.00
Waterville	Evan. Lutheran			5.00	12.00	38.00	33.00	27.00	21.00	16.00	10.00	10.00
Waterville	Hebron			1.00	3.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	5.00	3.00	2.00	2.00
Waterville	English Evan.			1.00	3.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00
Wellington	St. John's			5.00	12.00	38.00	33.00	27.00	21.00	15.00	10.00	10.00
Whitewater	Zion			2.00	5.00	15.00	5.00	4.78	4.00	3.00	2.00	
Wichita	St. Paul's			4.00	9.00	27.00	23.00	19.00	24.00	11.00	7.00	7.00
Totals		$13.00	$13.30	$240.00	$630.31	$1,613.18	$1,513.96	$1,991.62	$ 916.47	$722.60	$525.80	$464.10
Transferred from Tabitha Home Fund												
Transferred from Seminary Contingent Fund									93.00			
									$1,009.47			
Disbursements		13.00		180.00	501.10	1,357.02	1,332.50	1,016.90	859.54	575.00	434.00	390.00
Balance			$13.30	$ 60.00	$129.21	$ 256.16	$ 181.46	$ 175.62	$ 149.93	$147.60	$ 91.80	$ 74.10

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		Home for Aged.	Synodical Home Missions.	Seminary Contingent Fund.	Tabitha Home.	Nachusa Orphanage.	Synodical Paper.	Kenner Support.	Total.	Apportionment.	Deficit.	Excess.
New Cambria	St. John's	$	$	$	$ 1.43	$	$	$	$ 45.43	$ 125.00	$ 79.57	$
Norcatur	St. Mark's				5.00	4.88			45.80	50.00	4.20	
Norcatur	St. Paul's									52.00	52.00	
Oklahoma City, Okla.	First	5.00	3.00		11.00	10.00	5.00	6.50	218.50	202.00		16.50
Ottawa	St. Paul's	4.00	2.00		8.00	9.59	4.00	5.00	166.59	152.00		14.59
Peabody	St. Paul's	12.00	7.00		24.00	10.44	12.00		462.44	452.00		10.44
Perth	St. James'	3.00	2.00		6.00		3.00	5.00	121.00	116.00		5.00
St. Joseph, Mo.	First	16.00	10.00		47.00	25.39	16.00		655.39	615.00		40.39
Salina	St. John's	18.00	11.00		36.00	18.00	22.20	20.00	754.60	688.00		66.60
Sedalia	Trinity	5.00	3.00		10.00		5.00		201.05	190.00		11.05
Topeka	First	10.00	6.00		20.00	16.50	15.35		297.30	283.00	85.70	
Tulsa, Okla.	First	5.00	3.00		10.00		5.00		185.00	185.00		
Valley Falls	St. Paul's	2.00	1.00		4.00	2.00	3.34	3.75	80.00	73.00		7.00
Waterville	Evan. Lutheran	5.00	3.00		10.00	2.00	6.00	5.00	203.00	195.00		8.00
Waterville	Hebron	1.00	1.00		2.00	1.00	1.66		42.66	40.00		2.66
Waterville	English Evan.	1.00	1.00		2.00	1.00	1.00		42.00	41.00		1.00
Wellington	St. John's	5.00	3.00		10.00		5.00	5.00	199.00	194.00		5.00
Whitewater	Zion	2.00	2.86			6.53			52.47	76.00	23.53	
Wichita	St. Paul's	4.00	2.00		7.00	8.36	4.00	4.00	160.36	139.00		21.36
Totals		$244.00	$386.49	$253.53	$408.93	$210.60	$200.88	$157.00	$9,765.57	$8,076.00		
Transferred from Tabitha Home Fund			125.00								$739.64	$663.88
Transferred from Seminary Contingent Fund										Net Deficit	76.32	
Disbursements			$511.49									
		198.00	428.41	253.53	225.00	177.33	184.75	146.75				
Balance		$ 46.00	$ 83.08		$182.93	$ 33.27	$ 16.13	10.25				

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. THISTLE, Treasurer.

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1	H. F. Martin	*Abilene	Trinity	1	1	2	..	38	35	4	3	4	19	4	26	2	15	243	335	381	$ 27,000	$ 1,100	$ 1,891	$ 270
2		Near Abilene	St. James	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	15	15	1,000	.....	.....	.....
3	R. L. Patterson	Atchison	St. Mark's	1	..	3	5	60	37	3	2	23	10	4	8	7	...	296	368	482	25,000	3,300	1,900	966
4	J. F. Krueger	Bendena	{ St. John's	1	1	..	..	21	23	...	2	7	8	3	11	...	...	159	159	208	21,000	2,000	680	2,000
5		Moray	{ First Lutheran	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,000	.....	.....	.....
6	Vacant	Bunker Hill	Mt. Zion	1	2	1	..	4	15	3	...	1	7	9	3	...	...	67	93	122	3,500	.....	643	.....
7	C. G. Stacy	Bunker Hill	Excelsior	1	1	..	..	19	18	...	...	5	2	...	...	...	2	44	56	76	3,000	.....	597	.....
8	I. B. Heisey	Chapman	Scherer Memorial	1	..	2	..	15	2	...	...	...	4	5	2	2	2	65	85	98	5,000	300	804	555
9	Vacant	Campus	{ Campus	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	35	41	47	250	.....	.....	.....
10			{ Orion	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	33	40	.....	.....	.....	.....
11	Vacant	Effingham	First	1	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	56	77	81	2,500	.....	210	.....
12	Carl G. Aue	Emporia	St. Mark's	1	..	3	..	6	22	4	...	6	4	1	2	2	5	146	206	294	18,000	2,700	1,769	240
13	Paul Mennenoeh	*Eureka	Christ's	1	..	..	..	7	12	1	...	...	5	4	7	4	...	89	121	185	8,500	600	1,440	175
14	Vacant	Garnett	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27	33	35	4,000	800	.....	.....
15	Dr. R. B. Peery	Greenleaf	Trinity	1	..	..	..	..	6	...	...	1	1	...	2	2	1	59	86	115	2,500	.....	600	1,000
16	Charles F. Wiest	Hays	Trinity	1	..	2	..	7	7	2	4	...	13	1	...	2	...	87	132	185	12,000	.....	1,358	.....
17	William Calvert	Hutchinson	Zion's	1	..	2	..	...	3	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	2	77	114	114	12,000	1,500	75	27
18	Andreas Bard	*Kansas City, Mo.	First	1	..	1	..	15	10	6	15	...	6	2	5	13	...	100	148	200	50,000	10,000	3,000	10,000
19	Vacant	Kansas City	Children's Memorial	1	..	..	..	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	118	169	226	8,000	.....	.....	.....
20	A. B. Shrader	Kansas City	Trinity	1	..	1	..	6	5	1	4	20	6	...	5	...	2	62	108	166	10,000	1,000	1,110	350
21	Carl Krueger	Lancaster	St. John's	1	..	..	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32	25	48	2,000	.....	.....	.....
22	E. E. Stauffer	*Lawrence	Trinity	1	..	2	..	47	22	4	3	10	3	...	10	...	5	220	248	298	15,000	700	1,998	325
23	C. W. Seville	Minneapolis	St. Paul's	1	..	2	..	4	38	2	...	...	6	3	2	9	...	48	65	84	7,200	500	500	585
24	Vacant	New Cambria		1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	60	....	....	6,000	.....	.....	.....

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1	1	32	334	7	25	17	$ 193	$ 48	1	36	$ 41	$ 14	1	60	3	40	$ 127	1	30	$ 11	$ 24	$ 81	$ 70	$ 56	$ 43	$ 33	$ 127	$ 46	$ 11	$ 22	$ 11	$ 22	$ 21	$ 578	$ 2,739
2	1	7	30	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
3	1	35	202	6	....	20	311	92	2	120	73	20	3	52	8	22	138	1	35	15	36	112	102	79	60	120	129	30	8	30	15	36	13	743	3,611
4	1	14	140	..	....	14	45	15	2	59	64	15	1	30	2	30	227	..	....	8	13	57	49	40	31	23	120	15	....	15	8	15	30	429	3,109
5	..	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
6	1	10	80	..	38	28	119	10	2	81	44	2	1	12	..	13	122	..	....	3	7	22	19	15	12	9	25	6	6	6	3	2	3	138	781
7	1	10	80	..	....	12	92	22	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2	6	17	15	12	9	7	....	5	3	5	2	5	24	112	701
8	1	8	93	..	....	14	70	20	1	15	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	6	25	17	14	11	13	....	5	4	5	3	9	6	121	1,480
9	..	....	....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
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12	1	15	111	..	....	....	124	42	2	50	6	....	2	46	8	30	119	..	....	7	18	54	47	38	29	23	94	15	....	15	7	15	348	710	2,419
13	1	13	150	..	....	25	104	15	1	20	9	....	1	9	..	8	....	1	20	5	11	34	28	24	18	15	9	10	....	10	5	9	8	186	1,801
14	1	8	28	..	....	....	....	....	1	10	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
15	1	12	112	..	....	15	77	39	1	41	10	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	7	21	26	15	17	9	2	3	6	2	3	8	29	152	1,752
16	1	11	90	15	....	30	82	41	1	25	30	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3	6	28	20	20	10	7	....	4	....	4	3	....	50	155	1,512
17	1	10	95	..	16	15	93	39	1	25	26	5	1	13	4	15	58	1	10	....	....	3	14	17	10	5	....	5	....	....	....	13	....	77	1,089
18	1	10	100	..	....	20	100	....	2	50	300	....	1	20	5	25	100	..	....	5	12	37	32	26	20	15	....	10	10	10	5	....	13	195	13,195
19	1	22	158	..	....	60	....	....	2	25	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
20	1	15	120	..	....	....	120	31	1	20	....	10	1	13	..	7	49	..	....	4	11	33	28	23	18	13	49	9	3	9	4	9	10	223	1,803
21	1	7	32	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
22	1	21	192	..	25	18	248	98	1	38	22	10	1	25	3	22	89	1	32	11	26	90	79	66	53	33	84	22	8	22	11	22	73	600	2,923
23	1	12	71	..	5	7	49	21	1	27	6	5	....	....	....	6	6	....	....	2	4	15	12	9	7	10	....	4	13	4	2	4	10	105	1,190
24	1	17	100	..	18	25	90	....	1	27	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	45	45

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25	.....	.....	St. Mark's	1	2	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	45	48	$ 2,500	.....	.....	.....
26	Vacant	Norcatur	Long Island	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	28	28	28	.....	.....	.....	.....
27	N. H. Royer	Oklahoma City, Okla.	First	1	..	2	..	9	9	..	2	4	7	1	5	7	5	119	143	166	50,000	$ 8,000	$ 2,780	$ 1,482
28	L. A. Harshman	Ottawa	St. Paul's	1	..	2	..	..	19	1	..	16	3	..	..	2	..	65	98	132	13,000	.....	971	192
29	Vacant	Beloit	Zion's	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	81	111	6,000	.....	.....	.....
30	H. S. Lawrence	*Peabody	St. Paul's	1	..	2	..	30	10	2	4	..	3	5	3	..	..	239	279	327	34,000	500	1,791	.....
31	J. H. Fetterolf	Perth	St. James'	1	..	..	..	..	8	1	..	..	5	3	..	..	2	65	83	90	4,000	.....	950	80
32	Geo. S. Murphy	*St. Joseph	First English	1	..	1	..	21	35	3	8	..	11	11	2	17	23	348	470	535	65,000	3,000	3,500	3,100
33	Benjamin R. Lantz	*Salina	St. John's	1	..	3	2	17	30	5	7	41	28	10	18	10	7	397	513	680	20,000	.....	2,862	.....
34	J. A. Koser	*Sedalia, Mo.	Trinity	1	..	2	..	10	..	..	2	4	2	..	3	2	..	101	120	150	10,000	2,000	1,106	158
35	M. F. Troxell	Topeka		1	..	1	2	6	..	2	4	..	5	3	6	7	1	210	256	257	17,500	2,400	2,200	2,200
36	C. W. Sifferd	Tulsa, Okla.	First	1	..	2	..	10	..	..	7	..	4	2	5	14	..	110	120	140	12,000	3,500	1,350	1,900
37	Holmes Dysinger	Valley Falls	St. Paul's	1	..	..	..	10	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	38	64	77	3,000	1,000	490	.....
38	C. J. Ferster	*Waterville	Evangelical	1	..	1	..	12	..	4	3	3	4	1	..	..	..	95	204	225	9,000	.....	850	950
39	.....	.....	Hebron	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	2	1	..	..	..	19	69	90	2,500	.....	250	.....
40	.....	.....	Evangelical English.	1	1	..	..	..	..	2	3	2	2	4	5	..	..	26	76	90	2,500	.....	200	.....
41	J. C. Jacoby	*Wellington	St. John's	1	..	2	..	..	10	1	1	..	7	2	6	5	8	125	131	157	5,000	.....	1,135	250
42	Joseph C. Miller	*Whitewater	Zion	1	..	..	..	16	2	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	..	40	78	92	3,000	.....	350	125
43	George G. Clark	Wichita	St. Paul's	1	..	1	..	3	..	1	4	..	3	2	3	6	1	80	91	113	20,000	3,000	1,384	1,354
	Totals, 1915	.....	.....	42	7	41	9	392	458	65	84	151	182	81	159	115	81	4,307	5,670	7,343	$521,650	$47,400	$41,512	$28,286
	Totals, 1914	.....	.....	42	4	41	10	474	474	60	87	155	207	111	253	143	112	4,248	5,674	6,803	488,850	37,062	43,616	39,728
	Increase	.....	.....	..	3	..	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	59	..	540	32,800	10,337	..	..
	Decrease	.....	.....	..	..	..	1	81	16	..	3	4	24	30	96	28	31	..	4	..	.....	.....	2,104	11,442

*Parsonage.

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25	1	10	54	..	....	....	.....	.....	..	....	.....	....	1	7	..	7	.....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
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27	1	16	85	..	2	21	140	19	1	25	$ 11	$ 5	2	22	..	12	$ 78	1	35	$ 5	$ 13	$ 40	$ 34	$ 28	$ 21	$ 15	$ 42	$ 11	$ 5	$ 11	$ 5	$ 11	$ 8	$ 252	$ 4,512
28	1	13	161	..	....	20	123	45	1	41	93	11	1	15	2	15	58	1	31	4	10	29	26	21	16	12	58	8	10	8	4	8	14	228	1,391
29	1	5	42	..	....	27	.....	.....	1	25	.....	.....	..	....	..	....	.....	..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	.....	.....
30	1	22	165	..	....	....	120	87	1	45	29	....	3	91	8	48	163	..	....	12	28	88	76	62	47	36	163	24	10	24	12	24	22	628	2,419
31	1	11	85	..	....	....	70	10	..	....	.....	.....	1	16	..	12	48	..	....	3	7	23	20	16	12	9	48	6	....	6	3	6	7	166	1,190
32	1	20	222	20	28	14	281	170	1	25	.....	.....	1	30	1	17	77	1	40	16	39	120	104	84	65	49	67	32	26	32	16	47	171	868	7,468
33	1	39	275	..	40	20	341	136	2	55	74	15	1	23	12	23	108	..	....	18	44	134	116	94	80	54	87	49	18	36	18	36	54	867	2,729
34	1	10	75	..	....	....	42	8	..	19	.....	.....	..	7	..	2	.....	1	16	5	12	37	32	26	20	15	....	10	....	10	5	10	29	211	1,475
35	1	15	130	3	25	5	155	57	1	25	40	10	1	30	2	25	110	..	....	10	25	40	30	28	40	30	80	15	16	10	10	20	40	396	4,796
36	1	14	100	..	....	14	105	20	1	20	10	10	..	....	..	....	.....	..	....	5	12	36	21	25	19	14	....	10	3	10	5	10	55	190	2,440
37	1	8	80	..	....	....	97	31	..	....	.....	.....	..	....	..	....	.....	..	....	2	5	14	12	10	8	10	....	4	2	4	2	4	10	87	577
38	1	15	125	..	....	14	75	8	1	17	20	5	1	18	1	26	85	..	....	5	12	38	33	27	21	16	....	10	....	10	5	10	8	195	1,995
39	1	5	70	..	....	....	38	....	..	....	.....	.....	1	16	..	12	35	..	....	1	3	8	7	5	4	3	....	2	....	2	1	2	2	40	290
40	1	5	25	..	....	....	18	....	..	15	12	5	..	....	..	....	.....	..	....	1	3	8	7	6	4	3	....	2	....	2	1	2	2	41	241
41	1	16	78	8	7	14	68	13	1	25	23	35	1	16	6	5	276	..	....	5	12	38	33	27	21	15	35	10	....	10	5	10	5	226	1,611
42	1	9	42	..	....	....	30	7	1	31	.....	.....	1	14	..	12	34	..	....	2	5	15	5	5	4	3	34	2	7	....	2	4	3	90	565
43	1	12	84	..	....	....	168	.....	1	20	148	4	1	7	..	8	22	1	8	4	9	27	23	19	15	11	12	7	8	7	4	7	15	171	295
	38	544	4,325	59	239	469	$3,789	$1,148	37	1,066	$1,332	$185	29	592	65	442	$2,106	9	257	$180	$431	$1,333	$1,077	$938	$745	$632	$1,262	$291	$177	$341	$180	$274	$ 661	$9,236	$78,966
	39	529	4,179	41	199	438	2,552	1,215	36	1,062	756	173	31	573	48	419	2,017	12	288	186	434	1,311	1,134	929	712	396	1,451	346	176	323	184	421	1,009	9,028	92,645
	..	15	146	14	45	81	237	....	1	4	576	12	..	19	17	23	.....	..	....	....	....	22	....	9	33	236	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	208	.....
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APPENDIX B—APPORTIONMENT 1915-1916.

Congregation.	Members.	General Synod Treasury.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Synodical Home Missions.	Tabitha Home.	Synodical Organ.	Seminary Fund.	Missionary Superintendent.	Total.
Per capita	.....	.07	.10	.40	.32	.26	.20	.15	.10	.10	.05	.05	.05	.05	.04	.26	.....
Abilene, Trinity	243	$ 17.00	$ 24.00	$ 97.00	$ 77.00	$ 63.00	$ 49.00	$ 36.00	$ 24.00	$ 24.00	$ 12.00	$ 12.00	$ 12.00	$ 12.00	$ 9.00	$ 63.00	$ 542.00
Abilene, St. James'	10	1.00	1.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	3.00	26.00
Atchison, St. Marks'	296	21.00	3.00	118.00	95.00	77.00	59.00	44.00	30.00	30.00	15.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	77.00	641.00
Beloit, Zion	80	6.00	8.00	32.00	26.00	21.00	16.00	12.00	8.00	8.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.00	21.00	177.00
Bendena, St. John's	159	11.00	16.00	64.00	51.00	42.00	32.00	23.00	16.00	16.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	41.00	352.00
Bunker Hill, Mt. Zion	67	5.00	7.00	27.00	21.00	17.00	13.00	10.00	7.00	7.00	3.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	18.00	148.00
Bunker Hill, Excelsior	44	3.00	5.00	18.00	14.00	11.00	9.00	7.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	12.00	98.00
Campus, Campus	35	2.00	3.00	14.00	11.00	9.00	7.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	9.00	77.00
Campus, Orion	26	2.00	3.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	6.00	56.00
Chapman, Scherer Memorial	65	5.00	7.00	26.00	21.00	17.00	13.00	10.00	7.00	7.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	16.00	144.00
Effingham, First	56	4.00	6.00	22.00	18.00	15.00	11.00	8.00	6.00	6.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	15.00	125.00
Emporia, St. Mark's	146	10.00	15.00	58.00	47.00	39.00	29.00	22.00	15.00	15.00	7.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	38.00	322.00
Eureka, Christ's	89	6.00	9.00	36.00	27.00	23.00	18.00	13.00	9.00	9.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	14.00	185.00
Greenleaf, Trinity	59	4.00	6.00	24.00	19.00	16.00	12.00	9.00	6.00	6.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	16.00	133.00
Greenleaf, Barnes St. Paul's	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Garnett, St. Paul's	27	2.00	3.00	11.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	7.00	59.00
Hays, Trinity	87	6.00	9.00	33.00	28.00	23.00	17.00	13.00	9.00	9.00	4.00	5.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	23.00	191.00
Hutchinson, Evangelical Lutheran	77	5.00	8.00	31.00	25.00	20.00	15.00	11.00	8.00	8.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.00	20.00	170.00
Kansas City, Mo., First	100	7.00	10.00	40.00	32.00	26.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	26.00	220.00
Kansas City, Mo., Children's Memo	118	8.00	12.00	47.00	38.00	31.00	24.00	17.00	12.00	12.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.00	30.00	260.00
Kansas City, Kans., Trinity	62	4.00	6.00	25.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	9.00	6.00	6.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	17.00	136.00
Lancaster, St. John's	32	2.00	3.00	13.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	8.00	71.00

APPENDIX B—APPORTIONMENT 1915-1916—Continued.

Congregation.	Members.	General Synod Treasury.	Synodical Treasury.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Church Extension.	Board of Education.	Ministerial Education.	Pastors' Fund.	Deaconess Board.	Home for Aged.	Synodical Home Missions.	Tabitha Home.	Synodical Organ.	Seminary Fund.	Missionary Superintendent.	Total.
Lawrence, Trinity	220	$ 15.00	$ 22.00	$ 88.00	$ 70.00	$ 57.00	$ 44.00	$ 33.00	$ 22.00	$ 22.00	$ 11.00	$ 10.00	$ 11.00	$ 11.00	$ 9.00	$ 57.00	$ 482.00
Minneapolis, St. Paul's	48	3.00	5.00	19.00	15.00	12.00	10.00	7.00	5.00	5.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	12.00	103.00
New Cambria, St. John's	60	4.00	6.00	24.00	19.00	16.00	12.00	9.00	6.00	6.00	3.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	17.00	136.00
Norcatur, St. Mark's	26	2.00	2.00	10.00	8.00	7.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	7.00	57.00
Norcatur, St. Paul's	28	2.00	3.00	11.00	9.00	7.00	6.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	7.00	61.00
Oklahoma City, First	119	8.00	12.00	48.00	38.00	31.00	24.00	17.00	12.00	12.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.00	31.00	262.00
Ottawa, St. Paul's	65	3.00	7.00	26.00	21.00	17.00	13.00	10.00	7.00	7.00	3.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	17.00	144.00
Peabody, St. Paul's	239	17.00	24.00	96.00	76.00	62.00	48.00	36.00	24.00	24.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	10.00	62.00	527.00
Perth, St. James'	65	3.00	7.00	26.00	21.00	17.00	13.00	10.00	7.00	7.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	17.00	143.00
St. Joseph, Mo., First	348	23.00	35.00	139.00	111.00	90.00	70.00	52.00	35.00	35.00	17.00	18.00	17.00	17.00	16.00	90.00	765.00
Salina, St. John's	397	27.00	38.00	152.00	120.00	99.00	76.00	58.00	38.00	38.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	16.00	99.00	837.00
Sedalia, Mo., Trinity	101	7.00	10.00	40.00	32.00	26.00	20.00	15.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	26.00	250.00
Topeka, First	210	15.00	21.00	84.00	67.00	55.00	42.00	32.00	21.00	21.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.00	55.00	460.00
Tulsa, Okla., First	110	8.00	11.00	44.00	35.00	29.00	22.00	17.00	11.00	11.00	6.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	4.00	28.00	242.00
Valley Falls, St. Paul's	38	3.00	4.00	15.00	12.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	86.00
Waterville, Evangelical Lutheran	95	7.00	10.00	38.00	30.00	24.00	19.00	14.00	10.00	10.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.00	26.00	212.00
Waterville, Hebron	19	1.00	2.00	8.00	6.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	5.00	43.00
Waterville, English Evan. Lutheran	26	2.00	3.00	10.00	9.00	7.00	5.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	6.00	58.00
Wellington, St. John's	125	9.00	13.00	50.00	40.00	32.00	25.00	19.00	13.00	13.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.00	28.00	272.00
Whitewater, Zion	40	3.00	4.00	16.00	13.00	10.00	8.00	6.00	4.00	4.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	10.00	88.00
Wichita, St. Paul's	80	6.00	8.00	32.00	26.00	20.00	16.00	12.00	8.00	8.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.00	21.00	176.00
Total	4 219	$299.00	$456.00	$1,726.00	$1,377.00	$1,125.00	$964.00	$647.00	$439.00	$439.00	$213.00	$214.00	$213.00	$213.00	$183.00	$1,111.00	$9,519.00

Respectfully submitted,

REV. C. W. SEVILLE,
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Committee.

Directory, 1915-1916

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AUXILIARY SOCIETIES AND DATES OF ORGANIZATION.

Northeast Conference.

Atchison	1885	Moray	1881
Beloit	1908	Norcatur	1909
Bunker Hill	1909	Ottawa	1885
Hebron	1879	St. Joseph	1903
Kansas City, First Church	1884	Topeka	1886
Kansas City, Kans.	1904	Waterville	1878
Lawrence	1886	Sedalia	1911
Leavenworth	1892		

Southwest Conference

Abilene	1880	Peabody	1885
Emporia	1885	Perth	1894
Eureka	1898	Salina	1882
Hays	1912	Wellington	1889
Hutchinson	1889	Whitewater	1902
Minneapolis	1895	Wichita	1911
Oklahoma City	1903		

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

OF THE

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF KANSAS

HELD AT TOPEKA, KANSAS, OCTOBER 16-18, 1915.

REV. M. F. TROXELL, D. D., PASTOR.

FIRST SESSION.

SATURDAY, 9:00 A. M.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Kansas Synod met in convention in the Primary Sunday School room of the First English Lutheran Church, October 16th, at 9:00 A. M., with the President, Mrs. A. B. Shrader, in the chair.

The devotional exercises were in charge of Mrs. I. B. Heisey.

The President declared the convention open for the transaction of business.

A cordial welcome was extended by Mrs. A. V. Lindell to which Mrs. W. E. Tilberg gave a most fitting response.

Following officers were present:

President—Mrs. A. B. Shrader, Kansas City, Kansas.

Vice-President—Mrs. H. L. Yarger, Atchison, Kansas.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. W. B. Winzenried, Atchison, Kansas.

Treasurer—Mrs. H. Runkle, Waterville, Kansas.

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Thank Offering Secretary—Mrs. Nannie J. George, Kansas City, Mo.

Young People's Secretary—Mrs. M. F. Troxell, Topeka, Kansas.

Annuity Secretary—Miss Annie R. Leidigh, Hutchinson, Kansas.

Chairman Literature Committee—Mrs. W. W. Brady, Kansas City, Mo.

Credentials were presented and names of delegates and visitors enrolled:

Abilene—Mrs. J. E. Roop, Mrs. John Thorne, Mrs. C. S. Brewer.

Atchison—Mrs. W. E. Tilberg, Mrs. R. B. Peery, Mrs. J. F. Krueger.

Bendena—Mrs. Chas. Albers.

Bunker Hill—Mrs. Minnie Campbell.

Emporia—Mrs. John Henning, Mrs. A. F. Myser.

Eureka—Mrs. H. D. Hover.

Hebron—Miss Myrtle Smith, Mrs. A. Hirt.

Hutchinson—Miss Annie R. Leidigh.

Kansas City, Kansas—Mrs. Caroline Olsen, Mrs. C. O. Larson.

Kansas City, Mo.—Mrs. L. C. Shindel, Mrs. D. W. Witmer, Mrs. Andreas Bard.

Lawrence—Mrs. I. F. Eberhart.
Moray—Mrs. Oscar Nelson.
Ottawa—Mrs. B. F. Pugh, Mrs. S. H. Weigle.
Peabody—Mrs. W. Ed. Brewer.
Salina—Mrs. Alice G. Bond, Mrs. C. Bachtold.
St. Joseph—Miss Nora Nelson.
Topeka—Mrs. J. H. Ulsh, Miss Mary Daescher.
Waterville—Miss Ada Livers, Mrs. D. K. Rice.
Atchison Young Woman's Society—Miss Orpah Tonsing, Miss Florence Walker.
Atchison Y. P. Society (*Midland College*)—Miss Dorothea Bang.
Bendena King's Daughter's Circle—Miss Florence Jones.
Peabody Young People's Society—Miss Dora Liggett.
Topeka U. Club—Miss Irene Troxell.
Waterville Queen Esther Circle—Miss Anna Nelson.
Visitors:
Atchison—Mrs. J. W. Walker, Mrs. B. D. Zimmerman.
Bunker Hill—Mrs. George R. Kistler.
Bendena—Miss Mamie Campbell.
Emporia—Mrs. Carl G. Aue.
Eureka—Mrs. Paul Mennenoeh, Mrs. W. H. Barger.
Kansas City, Kansas—Mrs. C. Kopp, Mrs. Paul Fogel.
Lawrence—Mrs. Clara Ewald, Mrs. C. J. Eriksen, Mrs. Henry Albach.
Wilson—Mrs. C. G. Stacy, Mrs. Hattie Gamber.
Chapman—Mrs. I. B. Heisey.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Dear Sisters:

The swift revolving wheels of time have borne us quickly through another year. How full the days and weeks and months have been! Through it all we have been sensible of our Heavenly Father's care. In every toil and trial and burden He has been comforter and helper. It is but *right* that we should *thank* and

praise him for his "goodness and for his wonderful works to the children of men"—even to us.

Among the thrilling events of the year, those concerning *missions* have been equally inspiring; the list of missionary martyrs has been lengthened. Many have died in the bloody persecution carried on by the *Turks* against the *Armenians*, many have saved their lives by *flight* and have devoted themselves unselfishly to the task of making conditions better for the poor native Christians who were yet spared, and who could not escape. And when the war left many *missions* and *missionaries* without home support, *Mission* Boards of America and other neutral countries came to their rescue with sufficient help. From all mission fields come reports that the people crowd eagerly to hear the message of the Gospel and readily accept Christ as their Saviour. "Ethiopia stretches out her hands to God and the Isles wait for his Law."

In our home land the campaign of the Laymen's Missionary Movement is one of the missionary marvels of this or *any* other age. Every phase of missionary enterprise is to have adequate consideration in text books, study classes, and public presentation by expert men and women in *eighty* principal cities of the United States. It is not long ago when people have been ashamed to know too much, or to show too much knowledge about *missions*—especially *foreign* missions, but *now* people are becoming ashamed of their *ignorance* about these things. The world not only *respects* missionary enthusiasm, it also *loves* and *admires* it.

While our minds have been disturbed over the events of the great European war, our *hearts* have been drawn nearer the throne of *God* and led out in sympathy for suffering ones. Unspeakable horrors only emphasize the need of the gospel of peace on earth and good will to men. Our daily prayers for peace shall not be in vain. For, though "the day of vengeance" is in the heart of God and He "is tramping out the vineyard where the grapes of wrath are stored," yet the loving kindness of the Lord is not forgotten and his abundant tender mercies have not passed away.

Here in Kansas, as usual, an unusual situation has developed. The center of wealth has been gradually moving westward until now the richest county per capita is on the western boundary, and the county that owns the largest number of motor cars is west of the center line. Five years ago the richest county per capita was Clark, now it is Greely, on the western edge of Colorado line. To every man, woman or child, there is on deposit in the Kansas banks, $135.04, and a property value of $1,718.71. In Kansas there

is a motor car for every twenty-five people. We can no longer plead poverty, and should no longer be pensioners on the bounty of our *Boards*. While there are some local crop losses over the state, there is a large cereal and fruit crop. The toil of the husbandmen has been rewarded. Although other states have witnessed the ravages of foot and mouth disease, our state has been spared. The war burdens have fallen on us no heavier than on others. Good health and prosperity have attended us. In it all the women of Kansas Synod have shared. We should in our hearts be grateful, and with our lips speak out our thanks and by our deeds make recognition of the goodness of God. Also that our nation is not at war and that men are pursuing peaceful pursuits, we should render daily thanks.

"Hasten, Lord, the glorious time
When, beneath Messiah's sway,
Every nation, every clime,
Shall the gospel call obey.

Then shall *wars* and tumults cease,
Then be banished grief and pain.
Righteousness and joy and peace
Undisturbed shall ever reign."

Recommendations.

1. Since "The Lutheran Boys and Girls" has been changed from a semi-monthly to a weekly paper necessitating an increased expenditure, the call comes very urgently to our women to help double the number of subscribers. Therefore, I recommend that we help in every way we can to enlarge the circulation of this excellent periodical.

2. That we continue to increase our magazine subscribers and readers.

3. That every Auxiliary secure the text books of the year and pursue diligently the study of the subjects therein outlined.

4. That the work of the Fortieth Anniversary Chest be pushed vigorously during the next two years, the closing years of the effort.

5. That always we keep in mind the importance of organizing our young people in bands and societies for the consideration of missionary topics and the doing of some definite work.

6. That a committee of three be appointed to plan for our

participation in the quadri-centennial celebration to be held in Chicago in 1917, when ten Lutheran bodies will unite under the auspices of the Lutheran Women's League of that city.

7. That we take action favoring the project of a Federation Mission Magazine in which all Lutheran women's missionary journals now published shall be consolidated; and that our President be instructed to communicate with our General Executive Committee on this matter.

8. That we would gladly unite in the plan of the Lutheran Woman's Missionary Societies of North America to issue a book for young people to be ready for the 400th anniversary celebration.

And now I return to you the trust committed to me one year ago, expressing appreciation of the privileges of serving my Saviour and the mission cause, thanking you one and all for your uniform sympathy, kindness, and help in the duties of my office, asking for my successor the same consideration, assuring her of my cordial co-operation and praying God's richest blessings on all our efforts as a woman's band of christian workers.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. A. B. SHRADER,
President.

Accepted and referred to committee.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.
(Appendix A)

Accepted with thanks and referred to proper committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER.
(Appendix B)

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, the undersigned, have carefully examined the books and reports of Mrs. Emma Runkle, Treasurer of Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Synod of Kansas, together with checks, receipts, showing disbursements of money received for the synodical year of 1914 and 1915 and find the same correct. Cash balance on hand, $164.59.

Respectfully submitted,

D. K. RICE.
E. D. BRYAN.

REPORT OF HISTORIAN.

We are again permitted to assemble in this the thirty-fifth annual convention. God has crowned the days of the past year with loving kindness and golden opportunities. The history of our efforts lies behind us. The records of 1915 are closed. Let us press forward toward the mark of larger achievements for Christ and humanity, and dedicate ourselves anew to the remaining tasks of life. The success of our work depends on a full and intelligent understanding of its needs and the importance of giving information through every channel that is open to us.

The following have been added to the Historian's collection:

Minutes of last convention, held at Eureka (1915), Lutheran Woman's Work (1915), Programs of our Convention, Monthly Facts (1915), Items of Missionary Intelligence added to Scrap Book, Minutes exchanged from other conventions, Photographs of Foreign Missionaries.

The following new life members reported for the year: Abilene, Mrs. A. E. Lesher, Alvin Gross Brown (memorial); Topeka, Mrs. M. F. Troxell; Kansas City, Kans., Esther Marion Ocher (memorial); Peabody, Anna Brewer, Helen Pearl Kellar; Bendena, Mrs. Katherine Zimmerman; Peabody, Mr. Jacob Kellar; Waterville, Mrs. Josephine Livers Blackburn; Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Laura C. Shindel; Salina, Rev. B. F. Lantz (honorary). Total for the year, twelve. Total number of life members, one hundred and four.

In Memoriam.

Mrs. Anna Herbst of Kansas City, Mo., and a charter member of the Society at Abilene. She was very much interested in the cause of missions and for years paid tuition for students for the ministry at Midland College.

Rev. Howard C. Garvic of Atchison, pastor and life member, was called home March 6th, 1915.

Mrs. Sophia Clark of Hutchinson, Kansas, passed away the 14th of November, 1915.

Mrs. Robert F. Lynch of Bunker Hill was called home November 12th, 1915.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the bereaved families. God doeth all things well.

Not now, but in the coming years,
It may be in the better land;
We'll know the meaning of these tears
And there, up there, we'll understand.

Respectfully submitted,
OLIVE J. PETERS,
Historian.

Two stanzas of Rock of Ages were sung.

Miss Leidigh and Mrs. Troxell offered prayers.

Letter from Emma P. Scholl, General Historian, was read.

Dr. Peery addressed the convention in behalf of Midland College.

An address on our work in Africa was given by Rev. C. H. Brosius, followed by a short conference.

A rising vote of thanks was extended to Rev. Brosius for his interesting and instructive talk.

Dr. J. C. Jacoby extended an invitation to the convention to unite with Synod in the Preparatory Services at 3:30 P. M.

Three items of business were postponed to the afternoon session.

Rev. Brosius pronounced the benediction. Adjourned.

SECOND SESSION.

SATURDAY, 1:30 P. M.

Meeting opened with hymn, "Jesus Calls Us." Mrs. R. B. Peery led in prayer.

Minutes of morning session read and approved. Roll called.

Mrs. I. F. Eberhart reviewed plan of the Fortieth Anniversary Chest and urged its use in all auxiliaries.

Greetings from Synod were brought by Dr. J. C. Jacoby.

Mrs. Peters and Mrs. Smith, members of the com-

mittee of five appointed to organize a Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society in Kansas Synod, were presented to the convention. Mrs. Peters gave a short talk.

An innovation which proved most interesting was the Young Woman's session, in charge of Mrs. Troxell. Enthusiasm and ability were manifest, each doing her part well.

Miss Ada Livers led the devotional exercises.

Reading, "Unawares," given by Miss Florence Walker.

Solo, "My Task," was sung by Miss Edith Troxell.

"Around the World With Jack and Janet," a book review, by Miss Orpah Tonsing.

Paper, "Young Women and Missions," written by Miss Pearl Folsom, was read by Miss Anna Nelson. Following this, a discussion on "Giving From a Girl's Viewpoint," was participated in by the younger members.

Miss Marion McAfee sang a solo entitled "That Sweet Story of Old."

Mrs. Troxell offered the closing prayer.

Following reporters and committees were appointed:

Reporters—Lutheran Church Work, Mrs. A. G. Bond; Lutheran Observer, Mrs. Andreas Bard; Lutheran Woman's Work, Mrs. Paul Mennenoeh.

Officers' Reports—Miss Ada Livers, Miss Orpah Tonsing, Mrs. R. B. Peery, Mrs. Chas. Albers, Mrs. Minnie Campbell, Mrs. I. F. Eberhart.

Letters and Papers—Mrs. Caroline Olsen, Miss Florence Jones, Miss Myrtle Smith, Mrs. C. O. Larson, Mrs. S. H. Weigle.

Department Secretaries—Mrs. O. J. Peters, Mrs. A. Hirt, Miss Florence Walker, Mrs. John Henning, Mrs. D. K. Rice, Mrs. John Thorne.

Standing Committees—Mrs. L. C. Shindel, Mrs. A. F. Myser, Miss Anna Nelson, Mrs. J. E. Roop, Mrs. Oscar Nelson.

Resolutions—Miss Nora Nelson, Mrs. W. E. Tilberg.

Mrs. D. W. Witmer, Mrs. B. F. Pugh, Mrs. C. S. Brewer, Mrs. J. H. Ulsh, Miss Annie Leidigh.

Committee on Claims—Mrs. C. Bachtold, Mrs. W. Ed. Brewer, Mrs. H. D. Hover, Miss Dorothea Bang.

Mrs. Andreas Bard was appointed to convey greetings to Synod.

REPORT OF LITERATURE COMMITTEE.

This department of the work shows an increase in all lines except subscriptions to the monthly tracts. The orders received were more than a third in advance of last year, indicating a deeper interest in text books, helps, etc. We must study to profit by the lessons we are given, and we are blessed accordingly.

Our financial statement follows:

Receipts.

By cash for tracts	$ 2.06
By cash for convention sales	14.09
By cash, literature	17.51
By cash, to balance	1.75
	$35.41

Disbursements.

To postage	$ 2.12
To tracts	2.77
To Miss Protzman for literature	30.52
	$35.41
To balance due chairman (1914)	$1.10
To balance due chairman (1915)	1.75
	$2.85

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. W. BRADY,
Chairman.

Accepted and referred to proper committee.

REPORT OF ANNUITY SECRETARY.

The Annuity Department of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Kansas Synod has not increased in the last year.

I have tried by correspondence and by sending literature explaining the department work to interest the members. So far this year no results reported.

We sing "Trust and obey, for there is no other way." If we change the language and say, hope and pray that there may be some way to interest some one, or more, during the year to come, that will give to the cause.

Mrs. Shaffer says gifts of $100.00 are just as welcome as those of larger amounts and just as acceptable to the Lord Jesus.

If you are not old enough to receive the 6 per cent, withhold not on that account; take a bond at 5 per cent. The annuity is business and benevolence combined and a way of serving in the Master's cause.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS ANNIE R. LEIDIGH.

REPORT OF THANK-OFFERING SECRETARY.

As the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society today is assembled for its thirty-fifth annual convention, it is naturally a time for retrospection. And as we look back over the past years and sum up the work done by the pioneers in the early days of our organization, our hearts are touched and filled with gratitude for what has been accomplished by this band of noble women. Many were the sacrifices that they made in the early days which we of today know nothing about. But they have answered the call, and laid down the work. We that are left are bearing the burden. Let us be as self-sacrificing as our promoted sisters and thank God for the high privilege of having a little part in the great work of sending the light to those who sit in darkness.

The Thank-Offering Department has been growing right along. Some of the societies have not reported their work, but many of those that have reported have had quite an increase in their offerings the past year. And we hope for a very substantial increase this year, our goal being five hundred dollars. We may have to make some little sacrifice to reach that, but it can be done if each one will do her part, always remembering "Thy prayer is heard and thine alms are had in remembrance in the sight of God," and the blessing will be ours.

Letters written during the year.....35
Letters received.....13
Reports received.....15

Money Expended.

Literature, postage and stationery	$1.73
Balance from 1914	1.58
	$0.17

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. NANNIE J. GEORGE.

REPORT OF MAGAZINE SECRETARY.

Letters were sent out in March requesting each society to report the number of magazines taken last year and this. Only one-half of the societies responded, therefore cannot make an accurate report. The work is interesting and the answer encouraging.

Hope your next secretary will be more successful in arousing a working interest.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. G. KERR.

REPORT OF YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECRETARY.

Six Young People's Societies and three Mission Bands have been reported in our minutes. This is a smaller number of Mission Bands than have been reported in former years.

Our work is calling for the training of our young people, but there is another call just as pressing and that is the work among the children.

Will we not in the coming year make a stronger effort to organize our young people before they are lost to our work? Let more join the front ranks.

Communicate with your Secretary of Young People's work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. M. F. TROXELL.

Accepted and referred to committee.

Adjourned with prayer by Mrs. Clara Ewald to join Synod in the Preparatory Service.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICE.

SATURDAY, 7:30 P. M.

This service was held in conjunction with Synod, Mrs. Shrader presiding.

Organ voluntary.

Vesper service, led by Rev. M. F. Troxell, D. D. Psalm 45.

Hymn 309.

Scripture lesson. Psalm 145. Mrs. A. G. Bond.

Prayer—Rev. John A. Bright.

Anthem—"The Radiant Morn Hath Passed Away." Choir.

Reading—"Unawares," by request. Miss Florence Walker.

Duet—"Rejoice in the Lord." Miss Marion McAfee, Mr. Harold Rankin.

Address of the evening—Rev. C. H. Brosius.

Prayer—Rev. Brosius.

Offering amounted to $11.00.

Solo—"Consider the Lilies." Mrs. Paul Shrader Fogel.

Hymn 337.

Benediction—Rev. N. H. Royer, D. D.

THIRD SESSION.

MONDAY, 8:45 A. M.

Miss Nora Nelson conducted the devotional services.

Roll call.

Minutes of Saturday afternoon session and anniversary meeting were read and approved.

Telegram extending greetings from our General President, Mrs. Iva A. Baltzly, was read by the President.

Our delegate to General Convention, Mrs. H. L. Yarger, gave a most interesting report.

Accepted with thanks.

Rev. A. B. Shrader, D. D., and Rev. N. H. Royer, D. D., brought encouraging reports of their work in our missions at Kansas City, Kansas, and Oklahoma City, respectively.

Rev. B. F. Pugh invited the convention to attend

Synod at 2 o'clock to hear the report of Committee on Necrology. The President appointed Mrs. O. J. Peters as representative.

Rev. C. G. Aue presented the plan of an inter-synodical convention of the synods west of the Mississippi River, and asked the co-operation of our Society.

Motion that we take action on this report was discussed.

Moved and carried that this motion be laid on the table.

Question Box, conducted by Mrs. A. G. Bond, was helpful and created discussion.

Book review, "Home Missions in Action," was splendidly given by Miss Nora Nelson.

By motion, it was decided that Mrs. Clara Ewald be entitled to vote.

Election of officers.

After balloting for president, adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

MONDAY, 2 P. M.

The devotional services were conducted by Mrs. Wittmer.

Roll was called and minutes of previous session approved as read.

Adjourned business. Election resumed and resulted as follows: (See Directory.)

An excellent book review of "The King's Highway," written by Mrs. Humphrey, was read by Mrs. Brewer.

Business suspended for the rendition of a playette entitled, "Why Aunt Jo Joined the Missionary Society," given by members of the Topeka Society.

Following this, items of interest from the addresses of Miss Brewer were given by several of the women.

Letter from Mrs. Beegle, Secretary of the General

Executive Committee, relative to plan for field work, read by the Secretary and referred to Committee on Letters and Papers.

Motion of the morning that had been tabled was withdrawn, and a motion "that with the consent of the Convention, the Executive Committee appoint someone with whom Synod may correspond in reference to the plan for intersynodical convention," made and carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

With gratitude and praise to our Heavenly Father for the blessings of another year, and especially for the privilege of meeting with so many of our women in our thirty-fifth annual convention, we offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That we express to our President our appreciation of her service during the year.

Resolved, That our thanks are due all those who helped make this convention a success.

Resolved, That we listened with interest to the encouraging report of Dr. Peery, and that we will heed his request to be loyal to Midland College.

Resolved, That the presentation of our work in Africa, by Rev. C. H. Brosius, both morning and evening, was an inspiration to all, and renewed our enthusiasm for the work.

Resolved, That the introduction of a Young People's Session suggested new recruits to our ranks, thus encouraging us in our work.

Resolved, That the thanks of our women are due Mrs. H. L. Yarger, our delegate to the General Convention, for the splendid report she gave us.

Resolved, That we were glad to hear the reports from our Home Mission pastors, Dr. Shrader of Kansas City, Kans., and Dr. Royer of Oklahoma City.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to Dr. and Mrs. Troxell and the members of the First English Lutheran Church of Topeka for the cordial hospitality extended. And also to the choir for the excellent music furnished.

Resolved, We also desire to thank most heartily the Ladies' Aid Society of the church, who so amply provided for our material comfort in the provision of such bountiful meals.

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves anew to the Master's work, knowing and believing that if we are filled with His Spirit, we can accomplish larger and better things the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS NORA NELSON.
MRS. D. W. WITMER.
MRS. W. E. TILBERG.
MRS. B. F. PUGH.
MRS. C. S. BREWER.
MRS. J. H. ULSH.
MISS ANNIE LEIDIGH.

Adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS.

Your committee would report as follows:

That we listened with interest to the paper read by Mrs. Eberhart, telling of the "Fortieth Anniversary Chest," and the plan of the Executive Committee in carrying forward this work. We recommend that each auxiliary endeavor to follow this plan.

The review of "Around the World with Jack and Janet," by Miss Orpah Tonsing, proved very interesting, also the paper by Miss Pearl Folsom, "Young Women and Missions," read by Miss Anna Nelson. We recommend that greater effort be made to interest our young women.

The reviews of our text books, "Home Missions in Action" and "The King's Highway," were very interesting. We trust that every auxiliary will procure these books and study them.

The letter from our General Treasurer, commending us for our loyalty, was gratifying. She stated our offerings averaged $5.43 and a fraction for last biennium and urged greater effort to do our part in making up deficit in total of working basis of $135,000.00 asked for at Omaha Convention, which would be one cent a month more for each member. Let us try. Also that auxiliary treasurers keep in mind the recommendation of General Executive Committee to omit the decimal column in every item of reports sent in.

Regarding letter from Mrs. Beegle, we would endorse the plan of the Executive Committee of districting the territory of General Synod, and of providing for the salary of a field

secretary in each of three districts by each member of Woman's and Young People's Societies contributing five cents per member annually.

We appreciated the telegram from our General President, Mrs. Baltzly, expressing her regret in not being able to be with us, and asking God's blessing on our assembly and our work.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CAROLINE OLSEN.
MISS FLORENCE JONES.
MRS. CARL LARSON.
MISS MYRTLE SMITH.
MRS. S. H. WEIGLE.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITEE ON DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES' REPORTS.

Thank-Offering. We are glad that the interest in this department continues to grow, that more public meetings are held and the boxes more generally used. Would ask for continued interest. We also recommend that the Societies strive to reach the $500.00 mark as recomemnded by our Thank-Offering Secretary.

Young People's Societies. This report shows that the six Young People's Societies have been faithful and doing excellent work. Sorry to lose any of our Mission Bands and hope for an increase in both organizations the coming year.

Magazine. We are sorry that the report of our Magazine Secretary is so incomplete owing to the lack of responses from the various auxiliaries. We sincerely hope that greater effort will be made to report promptly during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. O. J. PETERS.
MRS. EMILY M. RICE.
MRS. JOHN THORNE.

Adopted.

REPORT ON STANDING COMMITTEES.

Your Committee on Standing Committees would report that all committees have reported.

Note with pleasure an increase in literature being used.

We would also recommend that more interest be taken in annuities.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA SHINDEL.
MRS. A. F. MYSER.
MRS. J. E. ROOP.
MRS. OSCAR NELSON.
ANNA NELSON.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OFFICERS' REPORTS.

The President's report shows that she has given special study to this field and has the great cause of missions at heart. We heartily suggest that her recommendations be adopted.

We find the Historian's report complete, and commend her for her faithfulness. We also recommend that the General Historian's suggestion that each Auxiliary Society appoint a local Historian and send name to Synodical Historian be endorsed.

The Corresponding Secretary's report shows gains and more promptness in reports. We appreciate her efforts under such trying circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS ADA E. LIVERS.
MRS. R. B. PEERY.
MRS. CHAS. ALBERS.
MRS. MINNIE CAMPBELL.
MISS ORPAH TONSING.

Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS.

The following claims have been presented:

Mrs. Shrader, traveling expenses and postage	$ 5.00
Mrs. Shrader (programs)	3.50
Rev. C. H. Brosius	10.00
Mrs. W. B. Winzenried, railroad fare	2.00
Mrs. H. Runkle, traveling expenses and postage	7.85
Mrs. W. W. Brady, traveling expenses	2.78
Mrs. W. W. Brady, amount due from 1914	1.10
Mrs. W. W. Brady, amount due from 1915	1.75
Mrs. O. J. Peters, postage	.60

Mrs. Kerr, postage		1.00
Mrs. Errickson, postage		1.65
		$37.23
Allowance, Mrs. W. W. Brady	$2.00	
Allowance, Mrs. Nannie George	3.00	
		5.00
Total		$42.23

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. C. BACHTOLD.
MRS. W. ED. BREWER.
DOROTHEA BANG.

Accepted and Treasurer instructed to pay.

There being a surplus in treasury, it was voted that we appropriate $50.00 to Africa and $50.00 to the General Fund.

Motion prevailed that a committee be appointed to confer with Synod regarding a change in the time of meeting so that delegates to convention need not remain over Sunday. Committee: Mrs. Runkle, Mrs. Troxell and Mrs. Peters.

Minutes of afternoon session read and approved.

A most impressive consecration service was conducted by Mrs. Shindel.

After repeating the Lord's Prayer in concert, Dr. Bard pronounced the benediction.

The President then declared the Thirty-fifth Annual Convention closed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MONDAY, 6:30 P. M.

The Executive Session was held in Primary Sunday School room.

President made the following appointments:

Secretaries—

Home Department—Miss Nora Nelson.

Thank Offering Department—Mrs. Nannie J. George.

Young People's and Band—Mrs. D. K. Rice.

Magazine—Mrs. S. H. Weigle.

Mission Study Class—Mrs. H. W. Humphrey.

Annuity—Miss Annie Leidigh.

Chairman Literature Committee—Mrs. W. W. Brady; assistant, Mrs. Wm. Kost.

Motion carried that we have five hundred special post-cards printed for Treasurer, Miss Leidigh to see about printing.

Mrs. Bond was named as our representative with whom Synod correspond regarding inter-synodical convention.

Motion prevailed that our Society raise not less than ($100.00) one hundred dollars for Fortieth Anniversary Fund the coming year.

By motion, it was decided to appropriate $2.00 to Literature Committee and $3.00 to Thank Offering Secretary.

Motion made and carried that Vice-President's traveling expenses to conference be paid when trip is made in interest of our work.

Meeting closed with circle of prayer.

Adjourned.

MRS. W. B. WINZENRIED,
Recording Secretary.

APPENDIX A—CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT, KANSAS SYNOD, 1914-1915.

Woman's Societies.	Organized.	Corresponding Secretaries.	Membership.				Lutheran Woman's Work.	Lutheran Boys and Girls.	Time of Meeting.	Average Attendance.	Presidents.
			Total, Not. Incl. Life or Home Dept.	Active.	Honorary.	Life.					
Abilene	1880	Mrs. H. F. Martin	37	34	3	18	41	...	Second Tuesday	19	Mrs. O. J. Peters.
Atchison	1885	Mrs. E. S. Gaston, 523 Kearney St.	30	24	6	4	21	40	First Thursday	15	Mrs. W. E. Tilberg.
Bendena	1913	Mrs. A. F. Albers	33	31	2	...	30	30	First Thursday	19	Mrs. Robert Carter.
Bunker Hill	1909	Mrs. L. G. Best	12	11	1	...	8	...	Second Thursday	7	Mrs. Minnie Campbell.
Emporia	1885	Mrs. J. Hemming, Jr., 702 Market St.	18	16	2	2	30	15	First Wednesday	8	Mrs. C. G. Aue.
Eureka	1898	Mrs. Max Stulpnor	8	8	...	...	7	...	First Friday	9	Mrs. Paul Mennenoeh.
Hebron	1879	Mrs. L. E. Rice, Waterville, R.F.D.1	14	14	...	...	11	...	Second Wednesday	9	Mrs. Alberta Organbright.
Hutchinson	1889	Mrs. Julia Little, 16 5th, West	14	14	...	3	19	...	First Thursday	7	Mrs. Jennie Armstrong.
Kansas City, Mo.	1884	Mrs. W. W. Brady, 2800 Charl'te St.	32	32	...	9	18	...	First Wednesday	12	Mrs. Laura Schindel.
Kansas City, Kans.	1904	Mrs. C. O. Larson, 4008 Holmes St.	12	11	1	2	11	...	First Thursday	9	Mrs. Carline Otsen.
Lawrence	1886	Mrs. John Selig, 1233 N. H St.	23	22	1	3	17	...	First Thursday	13	Mrs. E. E. Stauffer.
Moray	1881	Mrs. J. B. Fullbright, Troy, R.F.D. 1	21	21	...	2	8	...	First Thursday	9	Miss Mary Turkleson.
Norcatur	1909	Mrs. G. H. Eckhart, Clayton, Kans.	6	6	...	...	6	...	First Thursday	7	Mrs. N. B. Nelson.
Ottawa	1885	Mrs. B. F. Pugh, 414 Ash St.	14	12	2	...	8	...	First Wednesday	9	Mrs. L. A. Harshman.
Oklahoma City, Okla.	1903	Mrs. John Shirk, 210 E. Park Pl.	17	12	5	2	12	...	Second Tuesday	10	Mrs. N. H. Royer.
Peabody	1885	Mrs. Hattie Brown	52	42	10	29	40	5	First Thursday	10	Mrs. Charles Cockley.
Perth	1880	Miss Sadie Erhard	19	19	...	3	9	24	First Tuesday	7	Mrs. K. Vincent.
Salina	1872	Mrs. C. Bachtold, 935 S. 9th St.	33	23	10	4	23	40	Second Thursday	12	Mrs. Alice G. Bond.
St. Joseph, Mo.	1905	Mrs. W. L. Eshelman, 720 S. 14th St.	30	29	1	4	23	...	Third Thursday	14	Mrs. George W. Bell.
Topeka	1885	Mrs. J. G. Kerr, 219 E. 4th St.	60	30	30	13	35	...	First Wednesday	18	Mrs. M. F. Troxell.
Waterville	1879	Mrs. Theresa Johnson	20	18	2	7	26	...	First Friday	8	Miss Ada Livers.
Whitewater	1884	Mrs. J. N. Eberhard	10	10	...	...	11	...	Second Thursday	8	Mrs. Joseph Miller.
Wellington	1905	Mrs. J. S. Meyer	23	16	7	...	5	...	First Thursday	11	Mrs. J. C. Jacoby.
Wichita	1911	Mrs. J. F. Quirk, Manhattan Hotel.	8	7	1	...	8	...	Third Wednesday	4	Mrs. William Youngmeyer.
Twenty-four.		Total	546	469	84	105	427	154			

APPENDIX A—CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT, KANSAS SYNOD, 1914-1915—Continued.

Young People's Societies.	Organized.	Corresponding Secretaries.	Membership. Total, Not Incl. Life or Home Dept.	Active.	Honorary.	Life.	Lutheran Woman's Work.	Lutheran Boys and Girls.	Time of Meeting.	Average Attendance.	Presidents.
Abilene (Philadora)	1910	Miss Edythe Engle	14	13	1	...	1	...	First Thursday	9	Miss Iona Sherer.
Abilene (Loyal Daughters)	1912	Miss Katherine Lewis	12	12	...	...	...	...	Last Saturday	12	Miss Edna Jasit.
Atchison Young Woman's Soc.	1914	Miss Louise Mangelsdorf	14	12	2	...	2	...	Third Tuesday	8	Miss Mary Mangelsdorf.
Atchison (Oak Hall)	1902	Miss Esther Roop, Midland, Cal.	16	16	...	...	1	...	First Thursday	16	Miss Dorothea Bang.
Bendena (King's Daughters)	1904	Miss Sophia Zimmerman	27	22	5	...	15	...	Last Wednesday	12	Miss E. Jeanette Zimmerman.
Oklahoma City, Okla. (Willing Workers)	1911	Miss Ruth Goodholm	6	6	...	...	4	...	Fourth Saturday	6	Miss Leone Forsberg.
Waterville (Queen Esther)	1912	Miss Ruth Rice	9	9	...	...	3	...	Second Saturday	6	Miss Lillian Rommel.
Seven.		Total	98	90	8	...	26	...			
Mission Bands.											
Emporia	1894	Miss Ruth Berg, 702 Congress St.	20	20	...	...	...	12	First Monday	13	Miss Esther Aue.
Eureka	1914	Miss Gertrude Fischer	30	30	...	...	...	30	1st and 3d Sundays.	20	Flay Kennett.
Two.		Total	50	50	...	...	...	42			
Thirty-three Societies.		Grand total	694	602	92	105	453	196			

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. M. L. ERRICKSON,
Synodical Corresponding Secretary.
(By Irene Errickson Lauck.)

APPENDIX B—REPORT OF TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES OF KANSAS SYNOD FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1915.

	W. H. and F. M. Societies.	General Fund.	Thank Offering.	Christmas Offering.	Building in Africa.	Life Membership.	Fortieth Anniversary Chest.	Synodical Fee.	May Memorial.	Support of Girls' School in India.	Support of Girls' School in Africa.	For Miss Miller.	Totals.
1	Abilene	$ 44.10	$ 22.00	$ 2.75	$ 10.00	$ 20.00	$ 11.30	$ 4.50	$ 1.65	$	$	$	$ 126.30
2	Atchison	31.20	28.50	7.00	11.70	.....	8.40	4.05	2.25	.....	.....	.....	93.10
3	Bendena	26.10	29.46	.....	10.00	.....	.....	14.20	2.90	.....	.....	.....	82.76
4	Bunker Hill	12.80	2.00	2.00	.....	.....	2.00	2.76	2.40	.....	.....	.....	24.96
5	Emporia	20.25	56.93	2.45	5.00	.....	8.52	.28	.75	.....	.....	.....	94.18
6	Eureka	8.90	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.90
7	Hutchinson	16.40	21.50	2.00	10.00	.....	3.75	2.20	2.50	.....	.....	.....	58.35
8	Kansas City, First Church	37.40	24.90	2.90	10.35	10.00	.....	6.00	4.90	.....	.....	.....	96.45
9	Kansas City, Trinity	22.60	5.00	.....	6.00	10.00	.....	2.95	1.00	.....	.....	.....	47.55
10	Lawrence	28.60	19.00	2.50	10.00	.....	14.40	2.70	2.00	.....	.....	.....	79.20
11	Leavenworth	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
12	Moray	17.10	10.00	3.00	3.00	.....	1.20	3.30	1.20	2.10	2.10	.....	43.00
13	Norcatur	7.00	.....	5.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12.80
14	Oklahoma City	14.00	16.00	.....	7.50	.....	5.00	2.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	45.00
15	Ottawa	18.85	11.00	1.80	5.00	.....	3.60	2.00	1.30	.....	.....	.....	43.55
16	Peabody	51.70	24.00	6.00	30.00	30.00	.....	4.70	1.00	.....	.....	.....	147.40
17	Perth	9.35	19.60	.....	.....	10.00	.....	3.05	1.30	.....	.....	.....	43.30
18	Salina	27.70	25.63	2.00	5.00	10.00	.....	4.60	2.25	.....	.....	.....	77.18
19	St. Joseph	33.00	20.00	.....	15.00	.....	2.25	5.40	1.70	.....	.....	.....	77.35
20	Topeka	35.40	13.25	1.00	10.00	10.00	.....	5.46	3.10	.....	.....	.....	78.15
21	Waterville (St. Mark's)	21.50	14.23	1.80	10.00	10.00	5.00	4.14	1.40	.....	.....	.....	68.17
22	Waterville (Hebron)	16.60	7.40	2.15	5.00	.....	2.58	3.00	1.30	.....	.....	.....	34.12
23	Whitewater	11.70	13.20	.....	5.00	.....	1.86	2.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	33.96
24	Wellington	20.25	8.26	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33.51
25	Wichita	8.90	5.58	.....	5.00	.....	.....	1.40	1.90	.....	.....	.....	22.78

APPENDIX B—REPORT OF TREASURER OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES OF KANSAS SYNOD FOR YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1915—Continued.

	Y. P. M. Societies.	General Fund.	Thank Offering.	Christmas Offering.	Building in Africa.	Life Membership.	Fortieth Anniversary Chest.	Synodical Fee.	May Memorial.	Support of Girls' School in India.	Support of Girls' School in Africa.	For Miss Miller.	Totals.
1	Abilene (Loyal Daughters)	$ 3.50	$ 9.05	.....	$	$	$	$	$	$ 5.00	$	$	$ 17.55
2	Abilene (Philadora)	9.40	10.88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.28
3	Atchison (Young Women)	7.15	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	17.15
4	Atchison (Midland College)	9.04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.00	.....	.....	59.04
5	Bendena (King's Daughters)	5.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00
6	Kansas City (Mary and Martha)	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
7	Kansas City (Memorial)	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00
8	Oklahoma City (Willing Workers)	4.00	3.00	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.50
9	Oklahoma City (Gleaner Girls)	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	10.00
10	Topeka (U. Girls)	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
11	Waterville (Queen Esther Circle)	4.94	2.98	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	12.92
	Mission Bands.												
1	Emporia	6.35	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.35
2	Kansas City (Trinity)	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00
3	Peabody	4.81	4.42	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.23
4	Waterville (St. Marks)	1.33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.50	3.83
	Receipts for the year	$612.92	$442.87	$ 46.15	$211.05	$120.00	$ 69.86	$ 81.52	$ 36.80	$ 62.10	$ 12.10	$ 2.50	$1,697.87
	Balance last year	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.87	.....	.....	.....	.....	100.87
	Total to be accounted for	612.92	442.87	46.15	211.05	120.00	69.86	182.39	36.80	62.10	12.10	2.50	1,798.74
	Expended	612.92	442.87	46.15	211.05	120.00	69.86	17.80	36.80	62.10	12.10	2.50	1,634.15
	Balance on hand	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	164.59	.....	.....	.....	.....	164.59

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. H. RUNKLE, Treasurer.

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